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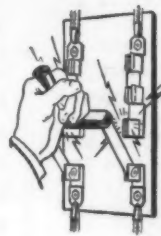
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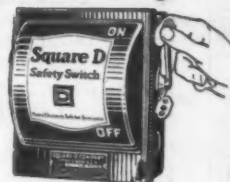
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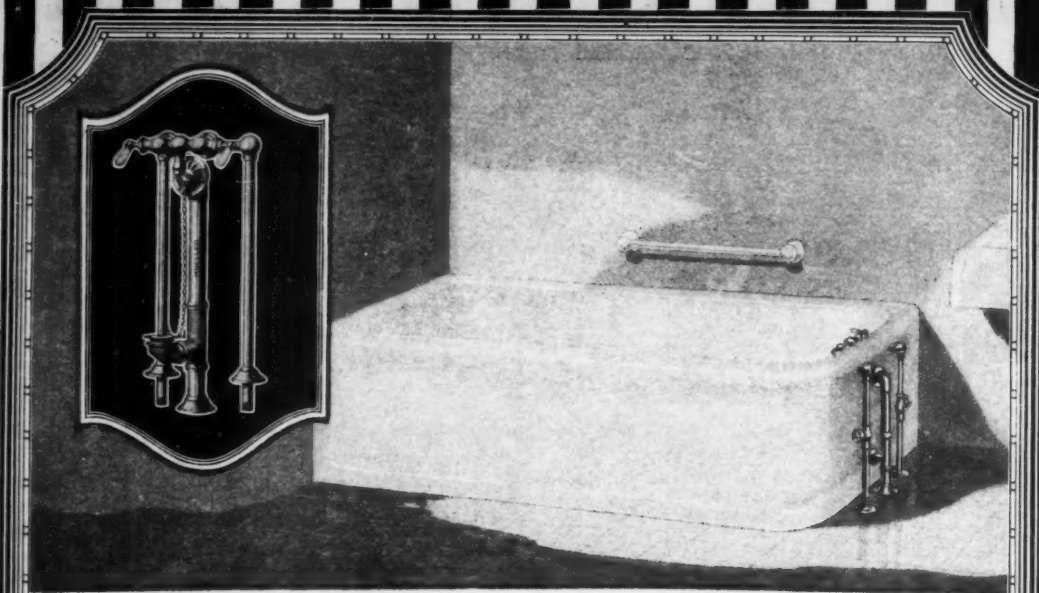


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## TOPICS - OF - THE - DAY

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### HOW TO FIGHT THE FORCES OF CRIME

CRIMINALS HAVE DEVELOPED a system of attack that is more efficient than the defensive armament of society. This is the startling conclusion reached by the Philadelphia *North American* after an examination of the crime records of our principal cities for recent months. "When a society whose first requisites are public order and safety of life and property proves unable to protect itself against the depredations of cunning, audacious, and organized criminals," can we wonder, asks this Philadelphia paper, if some observers suggest that our complex civilization is breaking down? It points out, moreover, that crimes such as banditry, train and bank robberies, and other crimes of violence once characteristic of only our most primitive communities have become prevalent in our great centers of population. "The plain truth," avers the Newark *Evening News*, another paper averse to sensationalism, "is that in the centers of population no man walks with absolute safety by day or night"; and the statistical expert of an insurance journal recently stated that "human life was never as insecure in the United States as it is to-day."

Taking the case of New York as symptomatic of a general condition affecting most of our great cities, we find that in this city, as the Brooklyn *Eagle* remarks, "hardly a day passes without some daring exploit in brigandage, not infrequently accompanied by homicide." Typical of the most recent of these exploits are the murder of a Fifth Avenue jeweler in broad daylight in his place of business, the gagging of his assistants, and the pillaging of his stock; the murder and robbery of a man at a subway entrance; the hold-up of a woman in a taxicab in Central Park in the early evening; and the invasion of a Broadway hotel by armed bandits at the dinner-hour. Yet New York to-day is safer for cutthroats than the frontier in the days of Jesse James, declares Leonard M. Wallstein, counsel of the Citizens' Union. "There is not a citizen of New York who has any assurance that he may not

be robbed or murdered at any hour of the day or night," remarks the New York *World*, which describes this city as "in the midst of an orgy of murder and robbery." The *Sing Sing Bulletin*, published by convicts in a State prison at Ossining, New York, suggests that "it wouldn't be a bad idea to build a wall around

New York City and keep all their crooks there, instead of sending them up the river to contaminate the inmates of Sing Sing."

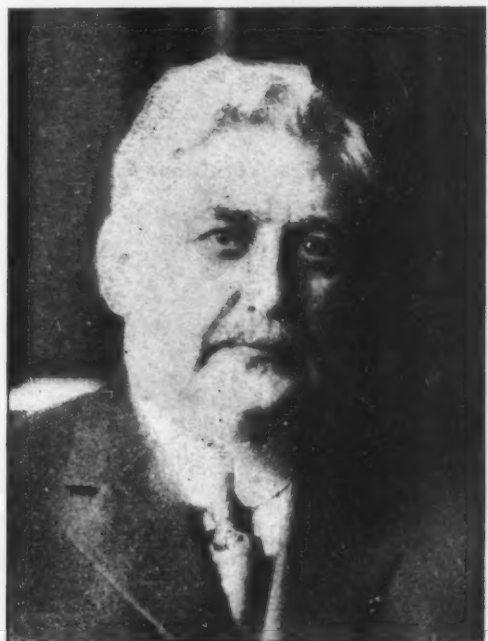
Further evidences of a crisis in New York's war against crime are supplied by recent actions on the part of Mayor Hylan, Commissioner Enright, and certain groups of citizens. Last week the Mayor issued a warning to merchants to arm their messengers to prevent robberies and hold-ups, and to hotel people to "impress very strongly upon their guests the necessity of keeping the doors of their various apartments locked." To quote Mayor Hylan further:

"There is throughout the country at the present time a great criminal army who care not what means they use to ply their nefarious trade. Life means nothing to them in their pursuit for ill-gotten wealth.

"As the outgrowth of the war many persons of criminal tendencies have been educated in the use of firearms and have little regard for human life. The criminal class has unfortunately been augmented from those who seek the easy method of getting money in preference to daily labor. This condition applies not only to New York, but to every city throughout the United States.

"I urge upon the citizens of New York to give their full co-operation and aid to the Police Department of the city. The department is fully capable to meet and compete with the crime that is prevalent throughout the city."

Commissioner Enright, while insisting that "serious crimes in this city are about normal," makes concession to the popular alarm by asking for more than 700 new patrolmen, reorganizing the present forces, instituting a day and night automobile patrol of the city, and inaugurating a form of curfew law under which any citizen on the streets after midnight may be questioned and



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#### NEW YORK'S POLICE COMMISSIONER.

"More criminals have been killed fleeing from policemen and brought in on a shutter since I have been Commissioner than ever before," says Mr. Enright. "And," he promises, "there will be more of it." The sharpshooters of the daily press also seem to have a shutter all prepared for the Commissioner's political demise, but it is thus far without a passenger.



searched by the police. He also calls upon the District Attorneys and Judges to cooperate with his department "by providing for speedy trials and more severe sentences." At the same time he started drag-net proceedings against known criminals similar to those recently carried out in Chicago. "The only time there



"PRETTY SOFT!"

—Kirby in the New York World

is a crime wave in New York is when somebody with an ulterior motive wants to manufacture one," insists the Commissioner, who regards the present "wave" as a creation of the newspapers. He admitted, however, that during the holiday season there was a "little flurry" of crime, which he accounted for by the theory that at Christmas-time "the criminally inclined fellows, who want to buy presents for their girls, become desperate and so get busy." In a recent address Commissioner Enright dwelt on the numerical inadequacy of New York's police force, comparing it with that of London:

"We have a resident population of more than 6,000,000 and a floating population of at least 1,000,000. New York is a great seaport and has all the attending evils thereof. To police this large city, we have a total force of 10,700 men, including all branches of the department. London has a police force of 24,000 and a detective force at Scotland Yard of 2,000 to patrol a city which has an English-speaking and an English-born population.

"Here is how our department is made up: There are 1,400 officers, the Detective Bureau has 800 men, the Traffic Bureau, 1,400. An average of 800 men are away on vacation or sick leave. Out of the 10,700 men on the force, 4,900 are not doing what you would call patrol duty.

"There are only 5,700 men to patrol the streets, when they are all working, but this never happens because some of them have to be assigned to other duties such as strike and parade details. The law prescribes an eight-hour day, so I have to apportion my force into three groups. This gives me only 1,900 to patrol the streets during the twenty-four hours of the day when they are all on duty, and the city has 3,914 miles of streets to watch."

The causes advanced to account for crime waves are almost as various as the crimes committed. A familiar explanation is that the outbreak is "a logical reaction from the abnormal experiences of war," according to the Philadelphia *North American*, for war is said to have "bred a spirit of reckless hardihood and of callous disregard for rights of property and the sacredness of human life." Another explanation, according to this daily, is that the phenomenon is merely "the continuance in another form of the orgy

of profiteering during and following the war, when capital and labor and business plunged into a scramble for excessive gains." It is argued that the motor-bandit and the footpad "apply the same principles as the price-gouger, but, following a racial instinct, choose shorter cuts to accomplish the same ends." The charge of Mayor Hylan that "as the outgrowth of the war many persons of criminal tendencies have been educated in the use of firearms and have little regard for human life" is denied by the New York *Tribune*, which says that few former service men are found among those arrested, and it reminds us that only service men were familiarized with the use of arms. In the judgment of this newspaper "the new criminals for the most part are recruited from the ranks of the draft-dodgers—from among those who did not register, or, if they did, are of the 173,000 shown by official figures to have evaded army duty." The Pittsburgh *Dispatch* and other dailies riddle the explanation "of the superficial" which attributes crime waves to the effect of the Eighteenth Amendment. One group argues that "it is the effect of illegal intoxicants and the other that it is the outcome of contempt for the law begotten by toleration of the law-breaking spirit." But *The Dispatch* retorts sharply that "crime is epidemic in all other countries also, where the Eighteenth Amendment does not prevail." Another given reason for the crime wave is the use of drugs, and the New York *American* quotes Dr. Carleton Simon, Special Deputy Police Commissioner in New York, as saying that "our records, as yet incomplete, already prove that drugs are behind the large percentage of crime." The average cost per day of the addict's supply is between \$4 and \$8, according to Dr. Simon, who says "the longing compels as does no other torment besetting the human body and drives the slave out with a gun to kill and steal wherewithal it may be assuaged."

Among the remedies proposed by editorial observers and others are: The formation of citizens' vigilance committees; swifter and stricter enforcement of the law; new and more drastic laws to deal with criminals; restriction of the parole and pardon power; increased police efficiency, to be obtained by keeping politics out of our cities' police departments; and



WHY POLICEMEN WORK OVERTIME.

—Brown in the Chicago Daily News.

increased prosperity with diminishing unemployment. *The American Law Review*, tracing the recent epidemics of crime to an increasing indifference to religion, a decline in the character and influence of the home, and a decreasing respect for law and authority, suggests the need of basic reforms along these lines.



Judge Rosalsky, of the New York Court of General Sessions, recently advised the immediate formation of a "vigilance committee" of at least 25,000 citizens to work independently of the police; and Assistant United States Attorney Mildeberger calls upon the citizens of New York to form the Citizens'

and the roads were no longer easy exits for retreat. It may be necessary to resort to some such plan in our cities."

In New York Chief City Magistrate William McAdoo recommends the "treat-'em-rough" policy in dealing with criminals. *The World* quotes him as saying:

"We have in New York at present, and have had for some years past, an immense army of young men, boys between fifteen and twenty-six, who are absolutely determined that under no conditions will they do any honest work. They sponge on women, swindle, pick pockets, commit burglary, act as highwaymen, and, if cornered, kill, in order to get money dishonestly."

"The late Inspector Williams said there was more law in a policeman's club than on the statute-books. This sounds brutal and lawless, but there is a good deal of truth in it. When the leader of one of these gangs is beaten up by a cop in the presence of his mates so that he will follow him like a lamb to the station-house or go in an ambulance to a hospital, he is disgraced forever in the eyes of his fellows."

Accusations that the increase of crime is due to laxity on the part of the police are met by the counter-charge, says the *Boston Herald*, that "the real trouble is not with the police, but with the courts of justice." This daily cites a letter published in the *New York Herald* and signed "A Disgusted Patrolman," who presents what he regards as a typical instance in these words:

"This is the case of a criminal who started on his career twelve years ago, and for eleven felonies committed in New York City in that time was only once imprisoned, and then in Elmira Reformatory, when he was released after only five months' confinement. Yet, if he had his just deserts, he would now be doing life-imprisonment. There are seven cases in his record where the disposition of his case is put down as 'unknown,' but, whatever it was, there was no jail sentence. It is very easy, the writer explains, for a gunman of this type to wriggle out of a crime that would make the ordinary law-abiding citizen gasp. When one of them is arrested, some politician is inter-



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"BOYS, WE LIVED BEFORE OUR TIME."

—Jones in the New York Evening Post.

Protective League "to cooperate with and assist Mayor Hylan and the Police Commissioner" in bringing criminals to justice. Until the force of the "crime wave" is spent, suggests the *Springfield Republican*, some such organization may be necessary. But the *Boston Post* reminds us that "on the whole the vigilante method of stopping crime, while effective and excusable in the early opening of the West, where law and courts were feeble, can hardly be successfully applied to a great city like New York"; and the *New York Herald* and *New York Evening Post* agree that "the remedy is not through vigilance committees or through every man packing a gun."

"Apparently the new factor of safety for crime and criminals is the automobile," remarks the *Buffalo News*, which goes on to say:

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"Police protection has suddenly met a new condition and a new, very serious, obstacle. Crime has developed a new mechanical ally as valuable to the murderer, highwayman, and robber as the oxyacetylene torch to the safe-burglar."

Discussing the changes in police methods and activities necessitated by the use of the automobile by the criminal, the *Chicago Tribune* says:

"Surveillance of roads must be stricter. In France, where the automobile was at once adopted by bandits, a plan was finally devised by which roads running out of cities were blocked off during certain hours and every one within the block was investigated. By following this plan persistently and thoroughly criminals using the automobile were caught from time to time



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SUSPICION IS GROWING

That our financial reporters have not been interviewing the right parties.

—Darling in the New York Tribune.

viewed, and he in turn makes all the arrangements to have the prisoner discharged, or else to have his case pigeonholed."

The *St. Louis Star* remarks that "the problem of law-enforcement

may not be simple but it can be stated simply," and quotes Federal Judge Landis, in an address to the Missouri Bar Association, as covering the handling of common felonies in one terse statement, which is: "Get the criminal, and when you get him, keep him." But corrupt politics makes it hard to get the criminal and hard to keep him, and in return the criminal and the criminal's friends "help to perpetuate the rule of the corrupt politicians." The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* also is moved by the address of Judge Landis and considers it a hopeful sign that a distinguished occupant of the bench should express the opinion that the courts are largely responsible for the increase in crime and the present unparalleled excess of crimes of violence. But it



IT'S AN OUTRAGE!

—Harding in the Brooklyn Eagle.

declares that if the courts are to play any considerable part in the suppression of crime they must work a "tremendous revolution in their machinery," and it proceeds:

"There must be an entirely different spirit and attitude toward the matter on the part of the bench and the bar. Assuming that the police are successful in catching a robber—and that is what the robber himself at the present time does not assume—the road from that point to the penitentiary must be shortened, widened, and straightened, the crooks taken out of it, and all the by-roads and side-tracks removed or closed up and the road hard-surfaced for speed. It is done in other countries. It can be done here. We have more criminal courts and less results to show for them than any other land under the sun. It is not a credit to our intelligence and our common sense. It is the certainty of punishment, and not its severity, which exerts a restraining effect upon the commission of crimes in other countries. It is the lack of that certainty which gives us our unenviable notoriety as being the most criminal nation in the world. We believe in training the young, in humane and reformatory treatment of convicts, in an effort to educate them morally, intellectually, and mechanically, and in a parole system properly administered. All those come before or afterward. The fundamental thing in repression is to bring into the minds of all the people, criminals, possible criminals, and impossible criminals, the common thought that one who violates the law or commits a crime of violence is certain to be caught and certain to be punished. They all have the opposite mental condition now. It must be changed."

## TO RESCUE THE FARMER

**A** PLAN TO STAY THE VENGEANCE of economic law for the wastes of war and the orgy of extravagance since the war, as one paper terms it, and incidentally to facilitate the exportation of cotton, grain, and commodities in general, at last has been agreed upon by the Senate and the House of Representatives, both of which have passed the joint resolution of the Senate Committee on Agriculture to direct the revival of the War Finance Corporation and to inform the Federal Reserve Board that, in the opinion of Congress, the Board "should grant liberal extensions of credits to the farmers of the country upon the security of the agricultural products now held by them." It is darkly hinted, however, that the President will veto the resolution because Secretary of the Treasury Houston suspended the operation of the War Finance Board last May on the ground that its continued operation would increase the price of commodities to domestic consumers. The farmer's most serious grievance at the present time is the fact that "the price of his products has fallen precipitously, while the cost to him of materials and equipment he is obliged to buy has declined but little," in the words of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*. "Therefore, it seems hardly fair now to criticize the farmers, hundreds of thousands of whom are now facing financial ruin, if they ask the Government to do everything it can to find a foreign market for their surplus," remarks *Wallace's Farmer*, which may be said to speak the views of the farm press of the country. And the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Meredith, reminds us that "high prices for farm products continued this year until they (the farmers) were ready to sell, when the price-reduction set in, covering everything the farmer had to sell, and materially affecting nothing they were compelled to buy."

Despite the arguments of these champions of the farmer, however, he is criticized for what many editors declare is a scheme to keep up prices for his commodities, and the resolution to revive the War Finance Board is placed by some in the category of "class legislation." "Let the farmer take his postwar losses with the manufacturer, the merchant, and the workingman," say others, in effect.

"Why are so many mills closing down? Why are so many merchants unable to move their stocks? Why are so many men being thrown out of employment?" asks the *Dallas News*, and it replies:

"The answer lies chiefly in the predicament of the farmers. They, the greatest creators of our national wealth, have suddenly had their labor made impotent. They can dispose of little of what they produced, and even that little at prices which do not reward them with the day laborer's wages. They have not made their customary purchases, nor made the customary liquidation of their debts, and in these facts will be found the largest source of the distress which has been brought upon manufacturer, merchant, and laborer."

"Unless relief comes soon to the farmer, this country will suffer one of the greatest breakdowns in its history," declares Senator Capper, of Kansas. Others say that if the farmer can not sell his produce for at least the cost of production, he naturally will have to go out of business. "Consumers, it is true, want low prices, but they do not wish to deprive the producers of a just profit," asserts the *Indianapolis Star*. And we read in the *New York Herald*:

"Producers have listened to sermons, about increasing production and satisfying the foreign demand as a means of cutting down taxes and keeping a balance on the right side of the ledger. There is more corn, more cotton, more wheat, more copper, more steel. There are more textiles and more shoes than the country can consume, but there is only a restricted outlet for our surplus to the markets filled with eager buyers abroad. The interests of the country will be properly served if surplus goods beyond our own needs are sold abroad on credit."

The War Finance Corporation "merely undertakes to aid

when American citizens wish to lend for a term of months their raw materials or finished products to European interests, to be paid for when these interests have been able to market these raw materials or finished products," points out *The Manufacturers' Record*, of Baltimore. For instance, says this paper:

"The Czecho-Slovakian banks and textile interests proposed to buy from us some 300,000 bales of cotton. Czecho-Slovakia is the strongest economically of all the 'new' nations. She has within her limits the best part of the manufacturing facilities of the old Austro-Hungarian monarchy. She is a leader in reconstruction. There was offered to her industries an immediate market for cotton goods. They needed the raw material. They wanted to pay for part of it in cash. They wanted credit on the rest, credit until they could manufacture the raw material and sell the finished goods. Here was a case where the War Finance Corporation could function exactly in the lines Congress had intended. Here was a chance to benefit greatly the United States and perform, without cost, at the same time, for Czecho-Slovakia a real service—better than charity. And just as the negotiations were being concluded, in the crux of the situation, Secretary Houston ordered the War Finance Corporation to cease operations.

"For more than a year the raw-material banks of Holland have been advancing raw materials to Germany in just the manner outlined. Holland is no mean competitor in world trade. And shrewd British traders were not asleep. They put into effect over a year ago their export credits scheme, whereby the Government has assisted in financing exports to the new states of Europe, and within the month the British Government has extended that credit scheme so that aid is given up to 100 per cent. of the cost of the exported articles, instead of 80 per cent. as formerly, and British goods are flowing into the named territories when American goods can not move at all."

"As a general principle, the Government should keep out of private banking business, but in an emergency, where the welfare of so large a part of the community is involved, emergency measures should be adopted," agrees the *New York Commercial*, and the *El Paso Times* believes that "by granting credit America helps the farmer and a good customer (Europe) at the same time." Representative McFadden, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee of the House, however, declares that the joint resolution passed by both Houses "represents a most unwise attempt by the Government to aid a special class." "It would be unsound financing; it would mean further inflation, and the reentry of the Government into the banking business would complicate still further a most delicate financial situation," adds Mr. McFadden. Representative Madden, of Illinois, further declares that if the resolution should become effective through the approval of the President, "the only result would be to check falling prices and increase taxation," and Senator Edge, of New Jersey, who opened the debate against the resolution, says that—

"When we establish or maintain artificial prices we only postpone the evil day of readjustment to normal levels. If we are to keep prices up or if we are to levy some other form of taxation the people must pay, and I am not in favor of such legislation.

"We have no right to direct the Federal Reserve Board to do something that we know can not be done. It is not fair to the Federal Reserve Board and it is not creditable legislation. The next step, I suppose, will be to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to supply the funds."

"The Governor of the Federal Reserve System said in this city last week—and most truly—that no banking system could stand the strain involved in lending heavily on crops withheld from the market indefinitely," we are reminded by the *Indianapolis News*, and the *New York Times* declares that "the indicated remedy is not to help the farmers to hold their crops out of reach, but to help those who are willing to sell at market prices to trade with those who are willing to buy at market prices." This paper, incidentally, looks upon the "Senate banking" as "political banking," and scores it accordingly. "Stript naked, the scheme is to use the people's funds to maintain the prices of

necessaries of life at levels which will give the producers a profit," is the indictment of the *Washington Post*, which continues:

"If Congress is determined to indulge in this misdirected philanthropy, it should not overlook the stockholders of the score of little banks in the Middle West which have failed recently because of falling grain prices. They, too, should be protected from loss. Nor should it pass by thousands of retailers and jobbers who have been seriously crippled financially in the



AT LAST, HE IS FIRST!

—Alley in the *Memphis Commercial Appeal*.

readjustment process. It is a poor sort of paternalism that does not extend to all citizens."

"Remember the situation which existed after the Civil War, when the demand was for measures to resist economic forces that were bound to set in following the war-period of inflation, and which brought about conditions which led to the disastrous panic of 1873," solemnly warns the *Baltimore Sun*. And while the *Indianapolis News* points out the fact that the War Finance Corporation "was not devised for the purpose of finding markets or establishing prices," "it could advance money to the farmers, but it could not affect the prices of crops or solve the problem of markets." Furthermore, declares the *Cincinnati Enquirer*:

"If there had been no Non-Partizan League, no Wheat Growers' Association, no American Cotton Growers' Association, and no Live Stock Producers' Association in existence to encourage their millions of members, from the very moment prices began to fall, not to sell their products on the falling market, billions of dollars in value of those products could have been disposed of long before the present low level of the markets was reached, and a large percentage of the estimated loss would have been avoided. Then notes in bank could have been paid, and the situation confronting the financial institutions of North Dakota and other Western States never would have arisen.

"A restoration of the War Finance Corporation, a diversion of the profits of the Federal Reserve Bank from reduction of the public debt into farm credits, an embargo against Canadian wheat, and a high tariff against all countries producing in competition with the agricultural interests of the United States, while they may provide relief sought for by the champions of such Congressional action, would operate also to increase and prolong the burden of the taxpayers of the country, who are as much in need of relief as is any group of producers, agricultural and otherwise."



## OPENING GUNS IN THE OPEN-SHOP WAR

**S**HOTS THAT WILL BE HEARD—if not around the world, at least throughout the length and breadth of the land—have been fired in the open-shop war which has been looming for months and whose preliminaries were discussed in these columns a few weeks ago. The fight is on in two in-



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### THE STRUGGLE.

—Morris for the George Matthew Adams Service.

portant industries—steel and clothing. After all the revelations brought out by the Lockwood Committee in New York of extortion and blackmail by labor leaders trying to force the closed shop, comes the news that the Bethlehem Steel Company is not only following the open-shop gospel itself, but is steadily following the policy of selling no steel to builders who will not adhere to the open-shop principle. In the men's and boys' clothing trade employers have broken with the union in New York and Boston; they have insisted on lower wages, the piece-work system, open-shop conditions, and greater freedom to "hire and fire," and they have issued statements accusing the unions of "Sovietism." The workers, in turn, have demanded a joint survey of wage-conditions as preliminary to any readjustment, and they have charged the manufacturers with "attempting to take advantage of existing conditions to return to old-time sweat-shop conditions." Some newspaper writers find it hard to decide whether the cessation of work in this industry is a strike or a lockout. And since the open shop is here but one of several issues, many of which are not clearly defined, the press in general prefer to await further developments before discussing the precise bearing of this particular labor battle upon the open-shop movement. But when Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, admits on the witness-stand that his great concern has for months been forcing customers to employ non-union labor or go without steel, editors generally admit that the open-shop war is on in earnest; and it must be added that to a remarkable degree they seem to unite in declaring that the steel company has gone too far.

Mr. Grace's admissions were brought out piecemeal in the course of a long examination by Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the Lockwood Committee and incidentally the largest individual

stockholder of Bethlehem steel. Mr. Grace made a point of avoiding definite expressions of fact or opinion, but at the conclusion of the examination, so the New York World sums it up, the admission had been forced "that he, personally, the Bethlehem Steel Company, the Bethlehem's subsidiaries, and practically all the steel interests of the country are endeavoring to kill off union labor and to create non-union shops if human ingenuity can do it." The day before, building contractors had told how they had been working as "union" organizations and found themselves unable to continue buying steel direct from the fabricators. They testified that their personal appeals to the heads of the Bethlehem Steel Company were in vain, that they were given to understand that unless they continued on a non-union basis they could get no steel, and that in some cases they were compelled to let open-shop erectors do steel work for them at a considerable increase in cost. An "Iron League" has been formed of erectors who hold to the open-shop policy, and, according to these witnesses, its members have no difficulty whatsoever in getting steel from the United States Steel Corporation, Bethlehem, and other large fabricators. Building in New York is said to have been made more costly by these conditions and to have been held up seriously. Moreover, as the New York Times sums up part of this testimony—

"Robert P. Brindell, of the Building Trades Council, benefited by the 'open-shop' war of the steel fabricators. Since the Iron League refused to permit steel to be put up except under open-shop conditions, Brindell was able to threaten strikes on the charge that non-union men were doing the steelwork. In this way he levied tribute on builders for permission to have the steelwork continue to go up under open-shop conditions."

When Mr. Grace was asked what he thought of the situation created by the Bethlehem open-shop policy he answered: "I think it is the proper thing to protect the open-shop principle." The next day the answering shot came from the union-labor ranks. Samuel Gompers reminded newly elected union officials of the necessity for standing loyally by the labor movement, par-



"IN A LITTLE WHILE HE (THE WORKER) WILL BE READY TO EAT OUT OF HIS EMPLOYER'S HAND."—STATEMENT BEFORE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SASH, DOOR, AND MILLWORK MANUFACTURERS IN CHICAGO.

—Walker in the New York Call (Socialist).

ticularly at a time "when there is so much effort made in the direction of reaction and the destruction of the labor movement, when the challenge has been thrown to labor by employers as it has been the last few days. American labor accepts this challenge."



When Mr. Grace says that "any character of relations or association to support and protect the open-shop principle of giving service by any character of laboring man in this country is a good thing," he has the full editorial approval of the *Buffalo Commercial*, which says:

"It is just as unfair to condemn the Government of the United States for refusing to sell goods to the Russian Soviet Republic as to condemn the United States Steel Corporation and the Bethlehem Steel Company for declining to sell fabricated steel to closed-shop builders. The reasons for refusing to enter into relations with the Bolsheviks are exactly the same as exist in the steel business. The Russian 'Reds' have been trying to spread their propaganda throughout this country. They have been instigating revolutionary movements wherever possible with the intention of undermining and blowing up our democracy. A year ago last September, union labor under the leadership of Foster, the syndicalist, and Fitzpatrick, the Chicago radical, aided and abetted by the American Federation of Labor, sought to get control of the steel industry in America with the view of ultimately extending their power over every industry that uses some form of fabricated steel in its business. The strike that was then organized failed through the active and intelligent opposition of the very men who are to-day refusing to give organized labor a chance to engineer another strike for power.

"The vital principle that the Bethlehem Steel Company is fighting for must be carried on exactly as it is being done to-day. The time for temporizing has long passed."

But such unreserved applause is conspicuous by its rarity. Some editors are careful not to commit themselves too deeply. The *New York Tribune*, for instance, calls the situation "A Mutual Lockout":

"The unions will not sell their labor to concerns employing non-union labor. The company will not sell its steel to concerns which deny to non-unionists a chance to get jobs. Boycott is thus met with boycott. It is difficult, if not impossible, to condemn the one side without condemning the other."

The Bethlehem policy, similarly observes the *New York Commercial*, means that "what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander." "There may be the claim of right behind Bethlehem Steel's attitude in refusing to provide materials" for closed-shop contractors, but, adds *The Commercial* carefully, "that it is a moral right will not be universally conceded."

But a large number of dailies, many of them conservative, and in general friendly to the open-shop principle, are convinced that Mr. Grace is going altogether too far. Mr. Grace is "overvaluing a principle," is the way the *Buffalo Express* puts it; he is "fighting minority tyranny with despotism," according to the *Brooklyn Eagle*, which finds "despotism by organized capital as reprehensible as minority tyranny by organized labor." The *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* contends that there is no more justice in trying to force the open-shop policy "on concerns that prefer to employ only union labor than there would be in union-labor leaders trying to force the closed-shop principle on the Bethlehem Steel plants." Similar observations come from the *Boston Transcript*, the *Syracuse Post-Standard*, the *Newark News*, and the *Louisville Courier-Journal*. The *New York Journal of Commerce*, an organ of business and finance, admits that—

"Any attempt for any reason on the part of steel manufacturers to interfere with the right of contractors to determine their own labor policies is too closely similar to an effort on the part of labor in the building or other trades to dictate the labor policy of the steel industry to appeal to the impartial observer. The contractor is said to find it to the interest of efficient production in his business to employ union labor even if in so doing it is necessary to acquiesce in the closed-shop principle. If this is the case it is desirable both from the standpoint of abstract right and of public interest that he be free to do so."

It seems to the *New York Globe* that while New-Yorkers may be properly concerned over the possibility that the Bethlehem policy has in some cases "increased the cost of building here by from 5 to 10 per cent," there is a much more significant angle to

the situation. In general, says *The Globe*, the union has given labor a weapon without disarming capital and has thus created a balance of power, and it adds:

"The open shop as the steel-makers propose to create it apparently means the destruction of this balance. It is for this reason that the action of the steel manufacturers takes on a more sinister aspect than even the most determined and widespread labor movement."

Likewise, the *New York World* sees the "Brindells of Big Business" taking their place "alongside the Brindells of Organized Labor." "The main moral and economic distinction between the coarse Brindell methods and the refined Grace methods was that the labor autocrats collected their pay in cash and the steel autocrats collected their pay in the form of dividends out of sweated immigrant employees." In the *World's* opinion, "the Brindellism of big business is even more of



A NEW CZAR.

—Kirby in the *New York World*.

a public menace than the Brindellism of organized labor," and it proceeds to develop this thought in another editorial:

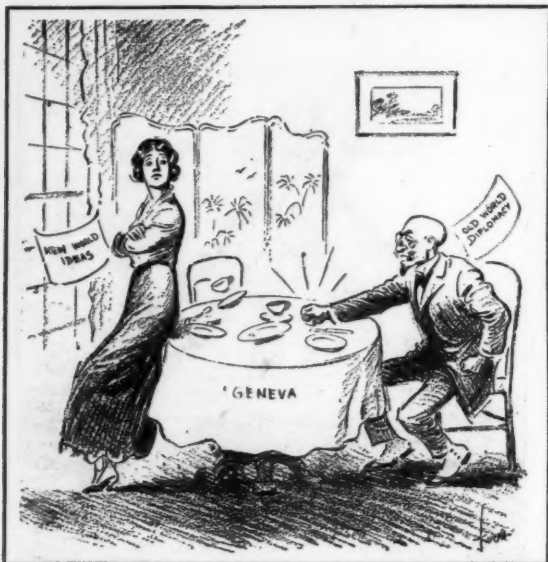
"When manufacturers undertake to dictate the particular kind of labor that purchasers of their products shall employ they have but one step to take before limiting builders and owners as to the use and the occupancy of their properties. Aside from the intolerable tyranny of this situation as respects capital, labor, and housing in New York, the attitude of the steel-makers confirms everything charged against them last year at the time of the strike and since substantiated by the report of the Interchurch Committee.

"Thus the existence of an industrial autocracy which defies Congresses and snubs Presidents easily becomes a menace to great populations far removed from its thundering mills and squalid camps of imported labor. At great cost it suppresses the effort of its employees to better working conditions."

Naturally, to a Socialist paper like the *New York Call*, the newly revealed attitude of Bethlehem Steel and other steel concerns gives it a ready answer to conservative editors who have been denouncing the "one big union" and "direct action." Here is a "One Big Union" which "believes in solidarity of all unions of capital, stands for the sympathetic strike of capital, and observes the policy of penalizing any other capital unions that scab upon the one big union. It believes also in direct action for the control of government for its own purposes."

## WHAT THE LEAGUE ASSEMBLY DID— AND FAILED TO DO

THE "FLEDGLING PARLIAMENT OF NATIONS" which held forth at Geneva for five weeks "did more in that time to restore world peace than the Paris Conference could do in five months," observes Charles A. Selden, the Geneva correspondent of the *New York Evening Post*, while Lincoln Eyre declares in the *New York World* that "the Assembly's record of positive achievement is scant; the permanent Court of International Justice is the only real and important creation that stands to its credit." Even this is a "court without a sheriff," remarks *The Wall Street Journal*, which looks upon it as inferior to the Hague Tribunal, because, while the latter body was likewise helpless in the matter of enforcement,



TEMPERAMENTAL DIFFERENCES.

—Knott in the *Dallas News*.

"it was at least a gathering of highly competent international lawyers speaking with weight and authority." The League's friends, however, point to the fact that the Assembly which came together on November 15, while at that time uncertain of its strength and authority, and wondering what, if anything, it might accomplish, adjourned sure of itself as a League of all the world, with real power.

True, say foreign correspondents, the session ended in a "row" between the Council and the Assembly over which shall be the controlling factor of the League. The Council, consisting of Great Britain, France, Italy, and Japan, with Belgium, Brazil, China, and Spain as temporary members, is, according to the Geneva correspondent of the *New York Times*, "the controlling power in nearly every matter except the admission of members, appropriation of money, making speeches, and the making of pious resolutions." The Assembly tried to clip its wings but failed. "The Assembly's recommendations have no weight with the Council, and we propose to retain entire freedom of action," A. J. Balfour, England's representative, is reported as saying, thus effectually preventing public discussion on what the Great Powers intend to do with the territory held under mandates. The net conclusions of correspondents are that important changes in the Covenant of the League must be made and that the present League must carry on its work or there will not be another for many years to come. A résumé of the Assembly's achievements, as obtained by a careful survey of metropolitan dailies during the five-weeks' session, shows that—

Austria and Bulgaria, enemy nations, with Luxembourg, Finland, Albania, and Costa Rica, were admitted to membership in the League. Nicaragua and Honduras became members during the session, but too late to send delegates. Thus, when the session ended, forty-nine nations constituted the membership of the League of Nations—the United States, Russia, and Germany being the important nations outside the League. The absence of the United States was deplored on many occasions during the session, and it was often declared that the League is willing to support almost any change which this country may demand. During the deliberations, lasting five weeks, five continents came together on a common ground, compared notes, and tried to solve the same problems. Men of real worth and political standing in their own governments buried what animosities they might have had, and it is a matter of record that the session proceeded from day to day without virulent recriminations.

Lord Robert Cecil, who is generally recognized as the foremost British advocate of the League, nevertheless was not chosen as delegate by England, but represented South Africa against the wishes of the Lloyd George régime and over the protests of France. Lord Robert, by his earnest defense of the rights of small nations, early justified the belief that he was to be the stormy petrel of the session when he led a spirited fight for publicity of the proceedings of the Assembly's six commissions. Arrayed against him, according to reports, were "the old-school diplomats of Europe," who rushed through a rule providing that "unless the Commission decides otherwise the meetings will be private, and no minutes will be kept." This, in spite of the fact that Signor Tittoni, of Italy, had said only the day before that "the only way for the League to endure was through full publicity." Lord Robert's motion that meetings should be public except when the Commission should give good reason why they should be private was defeated, however.

The chairman of the Assembly at the opening was Paul Hymans, of Belgium, who afterward was elected permanent President. Before the League had been in session three days a struggle began between the smaller nations, who sought an increase in League power, and the Great Powers, who wished to keep control of the League. This strife continued to the end, tho not always openly, yet the Great Powers yielded scarcely an iota of their control.

The League soon demonstrated that it had "teeth" by authorizing a force of troops to be sent to Lithuania to maintain and supervise the plebiscite at Vilna, which is to decide whether it shall be consigned to the Poles or to the Lithuanians. Hostility toward Germany, which persisted to the end of the proceedings, is said by correspondents to have been caused by the fact that Germany is too deliberate about fulfilling her war obligations, altho it was denied that any compact to bar Germany from the League existed. In defense of what she considers her rights, Germany protested during the session against the manner in which her colonies have been disposed of, altho it was pointed out that in signing the Peace Treaty she had renounced her colonies. Now, however, she claims that she is no longer bound by the "colony clause" in the Treaty.

As the sessions were continued it became increasingly evident that it would be a very difficult matter to replace the old system of secret negotiations by open debates, particularly between nations which had been in the habit of settling their difficulties secretly by mutual concessions. After the League had been in session for nine days a committee to investigate Armenian conditions was named. It was generally admitted that the absence of Germany and America from the League constituted great barriers to the fulfilment of the League program. Another barrier was the fact that the world-war had not been finished long enough to permit sincere cooperation by the nations of the world. Only time, agree foreign correspondents, will remove both of these barriers. Altho it was announced the day after the League met that the American Government would take no part whatever in the first meeting, and that no persons either officially or unofficially would attend the session on behalf of the United States, Secretary Colby declared ten days later that the United States would insist upon its right to be consulted on the terms of mandates as provided for in the League Covenant, and challenged the view of the British Government "that the terms of mandates could properly be discussed only with the Council of the League of Nations and by the signatories of the Covenant."

The question of disarmament was the next important matter to come up in the secret sessions of the Commission dealing with disarmament. The smaller nations favored world

disarmament, and Italy agreed in this, but Britain and France felt that the world is not yet ready for complete disarmament. Japan, on the other hand, seized this opportunity to announce that she could not disarm while America continued to increase both her Army and Navy.

On December 4 the Argentine delegation withdrew from the Assembly and stated that they would not resume their places until elections of the Council could be made by the Assembly; until the World Court could have compulsory jurisdiction; until all states recognized in the community of nations could be admitted; and until smaller states, whose boundaries are not defined, could be admitted in a consultative capacity without a vote. This action was hailed by Germany, who applauded what she termed the Argentine delegation's stand "against French dictatorship."

In the early days of the session the Council invited President Wilson to name a representative to sit in a commission of the League or cooperate in a study of the reduction of armaments, but this invitation was declined, since the United States is not a member. The economic blockade, which is considered to be the only weapon of the League against covenant-breaking states, was very much weakened by a decision of the Assembly leaving to each country to decide for itself when a blockade shall be applied. It was brought out that no blockade, if all surrounding states should refuse to join, could be effective.

Perhaps the greatest victory won by a single nation was the temporary admission of the Chinese delegate to the Council of the League. In this instance China replaced Greece. The correspondents look upon the victory as a personal one for Dr. Wellington Koo, a former Columbia student, over the veteran Viscount Hayashi. Perhaps the most important economic accomplishment, in the eyes of the United States, is the establishment of an International Commission to act as a banker for European nations entirely without credit or with very little credit. This is expected materially to increase the export trade of the United States and to permit temporarily embarrassed European nations to purchase necessary foodstuffs and supplies.

Throughout the session the Great Powers refused to permit in the Assembly a discussion of their rights, privileges, and obligations as mandatories. Thus Great Britain, France, and Japan are not compelled at this time to reveal their mandate plans in Mesopotamia, Syria, Lebanon, and Palestine. The fight for mandate publicity brought the quarrel of the Assembly with the Council for increased power to a head, and altho the Assembly published a report sharply criticizing the Council for its old-school secret diplomacy, the Council held that mandates under it should not be publicly discussed at this time.

After five weeks' work the first Assembly of the League of Nations adjourned, to meet again on the first Monday of September, 1921. Congratulatory speeches were made by the leaders, stating that the work done by the Assembly made the League a "living, working organization."

In a summary of accomplishments sent out by the League of Nations News Bureau, of New York, it is declared that each participating Government now is equipped with a trained staff familiar with the workings and policies of the League; that the adoption of a budget places the League on a sound financial basis; that Article X of the Covenant was formally interpreted as "a guaranty of the protection against unprovoked foreign aggression and not as a guaranty of the territorial limits and political conditions established by the peace treaties against changes of any kind"; that the principles set forth and formally adopted by an overwhelming majority on the mandate question will go far toward compelling the future adoption of a mandate policy in agreement with the spirit of the Covenant.

"Only the force of public opinion can change the present arrangement, which does so much to alienate the sympathy of the smaller nations," declares the *New York Times*. As to the general success of the League, we are told by N. W. Rowell, Canadian delegate, that—

"The first Assembly of the League of Nations has satisfied its friends and disappointed its enemies. Its most significant feature is the fact that for five weeks representatives from forty-one different nations have found it possible to cooperate on a great variety of matters and international concerns and that as the Assembly progressed it has developed in an increasing measure a corporate consciousness, a sense of power and authority, and the conviction that it serves a great purpose. That guarantees its future."

That the League lived through "the hostile criticism and

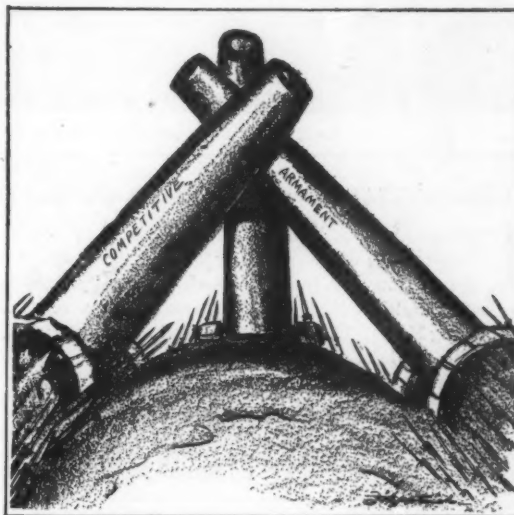
cynical prophecies that dogged it at Geneva" is in itself a triumph, thinks the *New York Evening Post*. Continues this pro-League paper:

"The actual work done at this first meeting may not seem large in bulk, but it was admirable and hopeful in spirit. Many questions of procedure were settled. The relations of the Assembly and the Council were more clearly defined. A beginning was made in the matter of disarmament."

"This, then, is what the League has accomplished: It has brought the nations together in council. It has forced public debate upon international issues. It has admitted into membership two of the enemy nations and paved the way for the admission of Germany."

Altho the *New York World* is also pro-League in its beliefs, its Geneva correspondent exposes what he considers some weak points:

"The Assembly debates have demonstrated the three chief



ENTANGLEMENTS OUTSIDE THE LEAGUE.

—Fitzpatrick in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

reasons why the Great Powers do wish to keep it alive. They are:

"First, the wish of public opinion throughout the world that some universal form of international cooperation designed to avert war should be definitely established; secondly, the realization of the leading belligerents in the war that the advantages they have gained under the Versailles Treaty can be most surely safeguarded through the League.

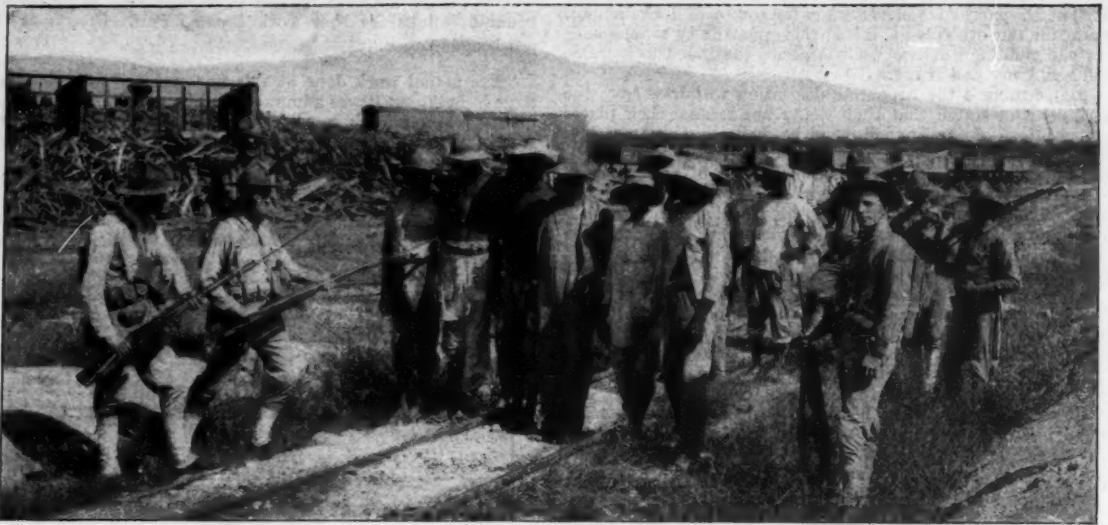
"As for the principal European governments, their appreciation of the League's value as a conservator of their treaty successes. Their readiness to set it to work—of course, subject to their general guidance—to iron out disagreeable creases on the surface of things in Asia Minor and the Baltic region is striking proof of that. Of course, Great Britain and France do not want the League interfering with their management of the Mesopotamian oil-fields and the Syrian lead-mines.

"Great Britain, France, Italy, and Japan regard the Council as the ideal League and the Assembly as merely a debating society in which the 'little people' can blow off steam. To the other nations which are represented here, however, it is the Assembly which is, or might be, the League—that is, the predominating organ of it."

In other words, concludes the *New York Tribune*:

"The hope that the small Powers would see in the conduct of the big Powers during the war assurance that the latter could be trusted to respect the rights of their weak neighbors has proved to be illusory. On the other hand, it is clear that the big Powers, while perhaps willing to cooperate in what may be regarded as a senate of the nations, are not willing to yield their destiny to the control of an international committee."





UNITED STATES MARINES BRINGING IN A SQUAD OF HAITIAN PRISONERS.

### "UNJUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDES" IN HAITI

THERE ARE AT LEAST THREE WAYS, American editors have discovered, of looking at the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry, which gave a "practically" clean bill of health to that part of the marine corps which has been policing Haiti. The report is accepted as "the only finding possible, in the light of all the evidence," by most supporters of the Administration; it is derided by radicals and Socialists as a "whitewash," the sort of investigation "so often staged by the British in Egypt and India"; while a third variety of opinion accepts both the investigation and the report with reservations, and calls for a Congressional investigation to lay bare the facts of our activities in Haiti.

The naval inquiry was inaugurated, as the press recall, largely to investigate charges made by Brigadier-General George Barnett, former commandant of the marine corps. His letter, made public by the Navy Department some months ago, more than a year after it was written, accused certain members of the marine corps of "practically indiscriminate killing of natives." There was no proper ground for this statement, according to the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry, headed by Rear-Admiral Henry T. Mayo, which presents its findings of fact as follows:

"1. The court finds that two unjustifiable homicides have been committed, one each by two of the personnel of the United States Naval Service, and that sixteen other serious acts of violence have been perpetrated against citizens of Haiti during the same period by individuals of such personnel.

"2. The court finds further that these offenses were all isolated acts of individuals and that in every case the responsible party was duly brought to trial before a general court martial, convicted, and sentenced.

"3. The court has found no evidence of the commission of any other unjustifiable homicides or other serious unjustifiable acts of oppression or of violence against any of the citizens of Haiti or unjustifiable damage or destruction of their property caused by any of the personnel in question."

Shortly after General Barnett's accusations became public, Clifford A. Tinker, writing in *The Stars and Stripes*, a soldier weekly published in Washington, on the basis of the court-martial records, incidentally admitted the killing of prisoners without trial or other formality, in a way which aroused widespread protests against "Prussian barbarity," when it was practised by the Germans in the European War. This was quoted in *THE LITERARY DIGEST* of November 13, 1920. The

writer justified these killings on the ground that otherwise the marines would have been "handicapped by their prisoners." He also presented a circumstantial account of the killing of two Haitians, Leonard Placide and Destine Jean, by a marine who afterward went insane, whereas the court allots one "unjustifiable homicide" to each of two marines. The whole report is called "evasive humbug" in a statement issued by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, with headquarters in New York. "Obviously, the truth about Haiti can not be brought out by any military inquiry," says this statement, which accuses the naval investigators of suppressing evidence. The statement suggests a Congressional investigation, and concludes:

"Most of the Haitians were killed in what were called 'caco hunts,' in which fleeing people, often unarmed, were shot down by machine guns whose bullets did not discriminate between the sexes. In fact, all the killings of Haitians by marines were 'indiscriminate killings,' illegal and unjustified by international or any law other than that of force."

The Socialist *New York Call* and the liberal *Nation* are almost equally bitter and contemptuous. *The Call* suggests that a Naval Court of Inquiry upon the acts of naval forces in Haiti might be regarded as a theme for a comic opera. Far and solidly on the other side of the fence are the *New York Tribune* and the *New York World*, respectively Republican and Democratic, but in thorough agreement on the subject of the marines in Haiti. "Such a charge was out of harmony with the record of the marine corps, with its high reputation for discipline and self-control," says *The Tribune*. "It has earned the gratitude of the Haitian people," comments *The World*. "It is well to have its services more fully known, not merely for the confusion of hostile critics, but in confirmation of the good name it has earned so often in other fields of duty." The *New York Evening Post* concludes an editorial of mild agreement with these encomiums with the observation that—

"This report does not dispose of the question of the justice of our rule in Haiti. President Dartiguenave from the beginning attributed small importance to the naval inquiry. His complaint is against our civil administration, the alleged shortcomings of which he lays to incompetent American officials. Nothing short of a Congressional investigation can get at the facts on this side of our activities in Haiti. All that we have had thus far are obviously biased and extreme charges and official denials."



## MILLIONAIRES FOR A DAY

THE COUNTRY WAS SHOCKED last year to learn, upon government authority, that we had "in our midst" the formidable number of 26,000 millionaires, and as this crop blossomed out at the end of the war, they were called "war millionaires." The returned soldier pointed to them as he argued for what is generally called a bonus; the agitator cited them in his arguments that the country was being overrun with the idle rich. Financial writers now puncture what *Forbes Magazine* (New York) terms "the delightfully simple—and absurd—formula which newspapers apply in analyzing the tax-income returns," as they sarcastically comment upon the announcement that the "crop" has been reduced by 5,264 "millionaires." For, they tell us, these statistics were arrived at by some theorist who decided that anybody who pays a tax on an annual income of \$40,000 or more must necessarily be a millionaire. "This statistical millionaire is in many cases an abstraction, a figment of the imagination," asserts the *Providence Journal*, and the *Baltimore Manufacturers' Record* points out that "some men who have an income of \$3,000 need not necessarily be considered worth \$75,000." "Lots of men who make \$40,000 a year haven't saved \$100,000, to say nothing of a million," declares B. C. Forbes, in his magazine. And we gather this illuminating information from the New Orleans *Times-Picayune*:

"Webster defines a millionaire as 'one whose wealth is counted by a million or millions of dollars, pounds, francs, marks, etc.' War-time salaries and incomes in some lines were pitched high, as we know, and it is altogether probable that thousands of those who paid taxes on incomes of from \$40,000 to \$50,000 for the year 1918 could not have 'counted their wealth by a million of dollars' if their lives had depended upon it.

"The average person, taking his cue from the dictionary, considers a millionaire as one who possesses a million dollars of

direction. A man who can count his wealth by a million of dollars might escape the revenue bureau's classification as a 'millionaire' by investing his wealth in government bonds returning an income below the arbitrary minimum. More to the point because it is more practical, a real, dictionary-definition



HE'S HAD HIS TURKEY.

—Harding in the Brooklyn Eagle.

millionaire might avoid the Bureau's catalog by adroit manipulation or adjustment of his tax return."

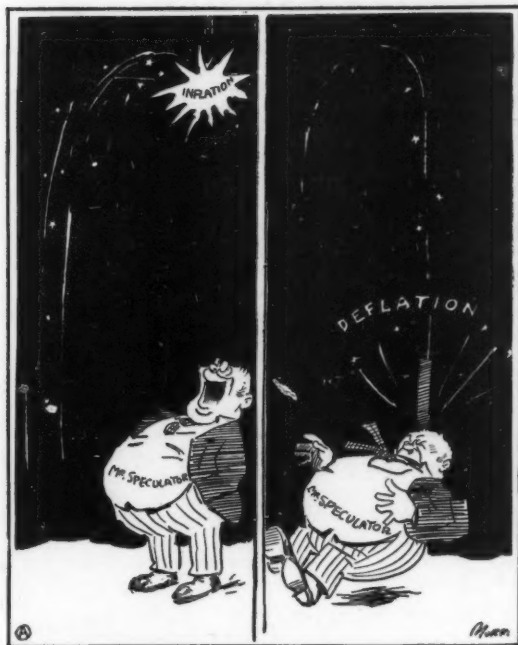
Then, too, as the New York *Times* suggests:

"Millionaires know how to pay their taxes . . . in such manner that they do not pay too much in punishment for their wealth according to lawful standards. . . . The decrease in the number of millionaires in 1918 may be said to be more important as a measure of the diversion of income from taxable investments than of the decrease of wealth. . . . There are so many limitations on calculations of wealth from income that almost any figure can be deduced as to total wealth."

Bradstreet believes that "the increase in the income of the persons paying income taxes may be taken as indicating that the wealth of the country as a whole has not declined, but the reverse." "It is a most significant revelation," declares a financial writer, "that there was an increase of 76 per cent. in the number of persons receiving a salary of from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per year," and to the *Portland Oregonian* this absolutely discredits "the calamity-howlers' notion that the rich are growing richer while the poor are growing poorer," during the period when, in the words of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, we lost so many thousand names from the millionaire class, "names that probably never stood for a million, nor ever will." The following table covering 1918 has just been issued by the Government:

Income Classes	Average Tax	Number of Returns
\$1,000 to \$2,000.....	\$17.46	1,516,938
\$2,000 to \$3,000.....	23.66	1,496,878
\$3,000 to \$5,000.....	88.95	932,336
\$5,000 to \$10,000.....	291.39	319,356
\$10,000 to \$25,000.....	1,222.01	116,569
\$25,000 to \$50,000.....	4,563.12	28,542
\$50,000 to \$100,000.....	14,748.70	9,996
\$100,000 to \$150,000.....	40,576.79	2,358
\$150,000 to \$300,000.....	89,871.89	1,514
\$300,000 to \$500,000.....	207,237.82	382
\$500,000 to \$1,000,000.....	392,326.67	178
\$1,000,000 and over.....	1,326,645.51	67
Total.....	\$254.85	4,425,114

The *Financial World* (New York) believes that the 1920 crop of "millionaires" will suffer "a big shrinkage," because "this



O-O-O-CH!

OH!!!

—Morris for the George Matthew Adams Service.

wealth. The agitator uses that definition also in his spiels about 'dangerous concentration of wealth in the hands of the few.' Government reports should square their figures with actual facts when they undertake the enumeration of 'millionaires.'

"The report may err in another and a precisely opposite

has been a 'bear' year in every respect for almost all classes of our people above the ranks of artisans and salaried workers." The 1919 figures, however, will not become available until late in 1921. As to the figures which we already have, we read in the *New York World* that—

"Of much greater significance than the loss of millionaire

taxpayers, technically so rated, is the notable increase of so-called middle-class incomes. For purposes of taxation, the expert accountant can make or unmake a millionaire. Among smaller fry the return more faithfully reflects net income, and the growth of such incomes, as evidenced by the tax returns, points to a more healthful diffusion of prosperity than most critics of economic conditions are ready to concede."

## TOPICS IN BRIEF

If they heed not Sinai, how shall they obey Geneva?—*Nashville Banner*.

THE prohibitionists haven't yet got John Barleycorned.—*Richmond News Leader*.

THE Allies were unable to cook Constantine's goose in Greece.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot*.

EVIDENTLY several other things must be banished before war is abolished.—*Pittsburgh Dispatch*.

ENGLAND and Ireland are more widely separated by blood than by water.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot*.

CHICAGO wants a mint. The bandits must be running out of material.—*Little Rock Arkansas Gazette*.

OUR Government does not profess to live within its income, but only within ours.—*Wall Street Journal*.

WE can all support Hoover's League of Rations without reservations.—*Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter*.

THE quickest way to Americanize aliens is to begin now by feeding the hungry kids over there.—*Buffalo News*.

A HUMORIST remarks that with the doc in politics there will be less passing the buck.—*North Adams (Mass.) Herald*.

THE Allies are willing to compromise by giving Constantine something closely resembling Hellas.—*Toledo News-Bee*.

PERHAPS the Germans think it was worth 10,000,000 marks to get the Kaiser out of the country.—*Indianapolis Star*.

THE decline in prices seems to have hit everything but what a person really wants to buy.—*Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

WE always thought the Prince of Wales was too good to be true, and now it appears that he writes poetry.—*Nashville Banner*.

"RICE," remarks a trade journal, "requires more moisture than any other cereal." What about wild oats?—*Nashville Banner*.

IF prohibition endures, the price of wine grapes will soon enable California to buy Japan and settle the question.—*Cleveland News*.

THERE wouldn't be so much objection to increasing the size of Congress if there were a chance of improving its quality.—*Washington Labor*.

IF we lived in Ireland we would insure our property against fire with one of those big London risk companies and get the comfort of some revenge.—*Omaha Bee*.

ACCORDING to the Federal trade commission the cost of coal at the mine has gone up fifty-two cents a ton since 1918. Who got the other \$9.48?—*Marion Star*.

SECRETARY HOUSTON would increase the tax on small incomes, thus hitting the great majority. We hardly thought he'd be as sore about the election as all that.—*Brooklyn Eagle*.

GOMPERS says that organized labor will fight to a finish against the open shop. No one can accuse organized capital or organized labor of a lack of courage. They usually fight to a finish—the public's finish.—*New York Evening Post*.

THE most annoying thing about a standpatter is his patter.—*Louisville Post*.

STATESMEN are trying to find a way to put the ax into the tax.—*Des Moines News*.

D'ANNUNZIO shines more in his verses than in his reverses.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot*.

THE world seems ready to speak softly, but it still desires to carry a big stick.—*Indianapolis Star*.

PERHAPS the Nobel award was intended as a consolation prize.—*Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter*.

THE problem of German statesmanship is to keep the nation out of ruin.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot*.

LEONARD may be the first all-Wood Cabinet member, but many have had wood tops.—*Moline Dispatch*.

ALL nations have rights except those who are guilty of the unspeakable crime of being little.—*Buffalo News*.

A CASUAL observer might conclude that England's Irish policy is an accident policy.—*Richmond News Leader*.

WHAT will they do with all that Nobel peace money when the League abolishes all the wars?—*Indianapolis Star*.

NEW YORK is the place for industry to expand. For example, just look at the criminal industry.—*New York World*.

NOW we know where the peace award is located, but somebody, apparently, has mislaid the peace.—*Marion Star*.

IT doesn't help much to beat our swords into plowshares unless we can beat our loafers into plowhands.—*Tacoma Ledger*.

FOR the next four years plum-trees will be most fruitful in the northern regions of the United States.—*Washington Labor*.

OUR guess is that no delinquent subscriber to the *Marion Star* will be appointed postmaster at Marion, Ohio.—*Dallas News*.

THANK goodness. If the nations agree not to use poison-gas there will be none of it used until the next war.—*Tacoma Ledger*.

INVESTIGATION has shown the price of coal at the mine, but what about the price of silk hose at the cotton patch?—*Cleveland News*.

IF we were the League of Nations we'd remove the intervening populations and let Russia and Turkey get together.—*New York World*.

ONE who is full of an ambition to get something for nothing usually ends by getting free board and clothes.—*North Adams (Mass.) Herald*.

THE scientist who has captured a prize for measuring the heat of the stars is wise enough not to try it on a ton of furnace coal.—*New York World*.

IF political bunglers prevent the establishment of world peace now, they ought to be put in the very front row of any fighting that is necessary.—*Pittsburgh Post*.

THE way Canada and Australia have been talking at Geneva engenders the suspicion that maybe Great Britain wouldn't have six votes in the League, after all.—*Marion Star*.



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ANOTHER "VIOIOUS CIRCLE."

McCutcheon in the Chicago Tribune.

## A GLAD NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE—AND A SOLEMN QUESTION

**"WELL DONE!"** is the message that comes, this New Year's Day, to thousands of DIGEST readers who have poured out their gifts in saving bounty for the suffering children in the desolate parts of Europe. The total now is **MORE THAN TWO MILLION DOLLARS.** You have not stooped your ears to the children's cry of hunger and pain; you have not closed your hearts to their weakness and need; you have put your hands out to them full of tenderness and help in the money you have given—some of you with real sacrifice. You have saved the lives of two hundred thousand children! Gladness to you, and great joy, at the beginning of this New Year, for you have given life and gladness to God's little ones who were hovering in the shadow of death.

If only this message could come to **ALL READERS OF THE LITERARY DIGEST**, to-day, what a wonderful shout of joy and thanksgiving would go up from America and from the dark corners of the earth! If **ALL THE MILLIONS** who read **THE DIGEST** had done what thirty or forty thousand have done, no hungry children would still be waiting for food; none would shiver with cold; none would waste away with disease caused by undernourishment and exposure. Mothers would weep no more to see the light go out from their darlings' eyes and to lay them away in the silent grave because their turn had not come on the long lines waiting for food from America.

**TWO MILLION "DIGEST" READERS** have not yet heard the children crying for just "one meal a day" and a little coat, boots, and stockings; and, therefore, **THREE MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND CHILDREN STILL ARE WAITING FOR THEM**—and winter is here. Hasten! oh, hasten! All the children can yet be saved if you who have not yet helped will do your part quickly.

Fathers, mothers, this Happy New Year's Day, as you gather your own loved ones around you; as you look into the faces of sons and daughters, the pride and joy of your heart; as you watch with tenderness and unutterable love the glowing faces of your little children, or grandchildren, ask yourselves how much one of these precious lives is worth to you. How much would you give to save one of these sweet, laughing children!—your own dearest—from starvation, or freezing cold, or wasting disease? Can you count the sum in dollars? Would you not eagerly give *everything* you have, even your life itself, and count the sacrifice small, if it would give health and comfort to the one you love?

The millions of little children over there in those naked lands, where war has crushed whole peoples, are precious beyond the measure of dollars in the sight of the living Christ. Because of their utter want and helplessness **He has given them to you to love and cherish.** Many of them are orphans; you are called to the holy task of mothering and fathering them, in His name. They are hungry; He bids you feed them. They are shivering in the winter's cold; He asks you to cover their thin little bodies with warm clothes. Laughter and childish joy have gone from them; He calls you, by the love you bear Him, by the love that swells in your heart for your own dear ones, to love these His little ones, back again to the laughter and health that are the God-given heritage of childhood. Can you enter the portals of this New Year, hoping for yourself, and wishing for those you love that it shall be a Happy New Year, unless, first of all, you provide, to the full measure of your ability, some happiness for the sad little ones in Europe whose only hope for it is in you?

Has it not yet seemed real to you—the pitiful need of these

children? Here is a picture from a letter just received. It was written to us from Paris, November 28, by Capt. H. H. Bailey, a great-hearted American whose service and sympathy are now with the Polish Army:

"During the last weeks of the Bolshevik retreat from Radzymin, I was lying, one afternoon, on the left bank of the Niemen, cold, lousy, hungry. Icy winds were sweeping across the flat, Polish plains. The sky was gray and frowning. I was thinking what a rotten, senseless thing war is, with its blood, its mud, and its stench. Suddenly I heard a feeble cry behind me. It was the inarticulate pleading of a child. She stumbled toward me, empty pail outstretched. Hunger! That tragic little face, tear-stained, ghastly white, absolutely unnerved me. I finally located a loaf of bread, or what was called bread, at least. I had weathered many soul-sickening moments in Poland, but I was not strong enough to watch that baby eat. Look at the thin little dress in the photographs I enclose. And I, with boots and gloves and a greatcoat, was shivering. Its mother shook her head when I found her and offered money. There were no stores, and no railroad lines, within thirty-five kilometers of that spot.

"In Poland, this is but one case in thousands. From the Niemen to the Lida line there is nothing but desolation—utter, complete. When my division passed over the bridge, we found cholera and typhus all around us.

"**THE LITERARY DIGEST** is doing a good thing. Keep it alive! But hurry the food; for God's sake, *hurry it!*"

"I enclose my personal check for all I can afford."

Is it any wonder we are urging you, week after week? Is it any wonder that our hearts rejoice over the generous gifts which come from those of our readers who do respond, and then grow sick over the many who are silent? Let every one who has already given, whose heart is quivering with sympathy and longing over the tear-stained, stumbling, thin-clad little children of those tragic plains, tell the story to others who have not yet given. Tell the pitiful story to the churches, the schools, the clubs, the fraternal orders, the newspaper editors in your town. If no organized effort is on foot, start one. Hundreds of communities, and churches, and schools are making liberal contributions, as the acknowledgments in **THE DIGEST** each week will show. Many local newspapers are opening their columns for the offerings of their readers, and then sending the total amounts to us for official acknowledgment in **THE DIGEST**. Rouse your friends and the organization and community of which you are a member to give, and to give with big-hearted generosity. The amount needed is very large. Every one must help to the limit.

Nearly two thousand years ago, the churches and the people, urged by Paul the Apostle, set the example we must follow: "Then the disciples, *every man according to his ability*, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea." When more than two million DIGEST readers give according to their ability, and stir up others to do the same, the twenty-three millions needed for the relief of the children in Europe, and the ten millions additional required for the medical and hospital work of the European Relief Council, of which **THE LITERARY DIGEST** is a member, will all be subscribed and overflowing.

Send all contributions, and New Year's gifts of Liberty Bonds, direct to "Child-Feeding," **THE LITERARY DIGEST**, 354-360 Fourth Avenue, New York City. One hundred cents of every dollar received goes to Mr. Hoover's Relief Administration to save lives. Make all checks and money orders payable to "THE LITERARY DIGEST Child-Feeding Fund."

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# FOREIGN - COMMENT

## BOLSHEVISM AND THE MOSLEMS

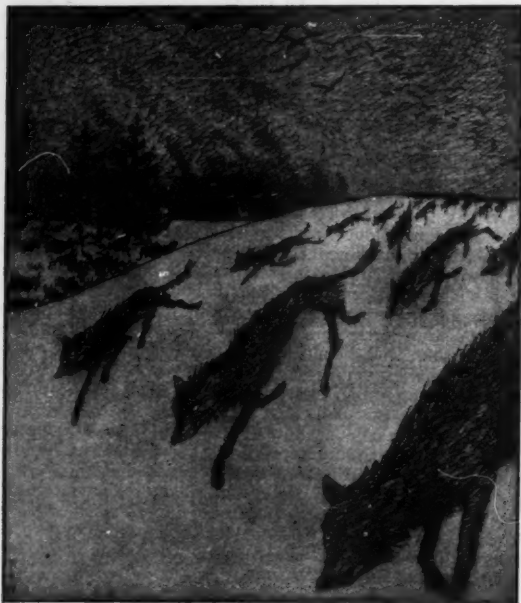
**B**OLSHEVISM IS IMPERIALISM at its worst, and the Bolsheviks are the world's preeminent enslavers of nations, in the belief of the Moslems, according to a prominent Azerbaijan politician who represents the Moslem anti-Bolshevik organizations. He says that the general feeling in the East is that "all talk about common action by the Moslems and the Bolsheviks is without real foundation." Trotsky's threats to kindle revolution in the East are described as "empty words," and Bolshevik propaganda, it is said, will have no further success. Whatever power the Bolsheviks may maintain

lives have already been lost through this cause. In December, 1919, a treaty was concluded between the Bolsheviks and Kemal Pasha. This raised the prestige of the Bolsheviks in the Mussulman East, as it gave birth to hopes of the alleviation of Turkey's fate. The treaty, however, produced no practical results, except that in September, via Nakhichevan and the Khanate of Makin, Kemal Pasha received 40 poods (1,440 lbs.) of gold from the Bolsheviks, and via Trébizonde a small quantity of armament. Both parties regard each other with the greatest distrust. Kemal Pasha will not admit the Turkish Communists within the borders of Anatolia, and they are therefore obliged to stop in Moscow. In their turn the Bolsheviks are arresting Kemal Pasha's agents in Azerbaijan and Persia. While Kemal is forced to try and keep on friendly terms with the Bolsheviks, for he has no other allies, the relations of the Turkish Nationalists with the Bolsheviks became particularly strained after the Bolshevik revolution in Azerbaijan."

Pursuant to a decision of the Third Internationale, a Congress of the Peoples of the East was convened at Baku under the presidency of Zinovieff, we read further, but it is charged that this congress "represented none of the peoples of the East," and was merely "a clumsy stage performance," for—

"The members were either Bolshevik agents, natives of various countries in the East, who had long been in the paid employ of the Central Soviet, or Mussulmans sent from anywhere by the Bolshevik commissaries and elected by no one. One such delegate, born in Turkestan, related how he was seized on the road as he was peacefully going about his affairs without any thought of politics in his head, given an alleged mandate from the Mussulmans of India, and ordered to attend the congress, which he did without his qualifications being questioned. A scene occurred with the arrival of Enver Pasha from Moscow. When he appeared in a box of the theater where the so-called congress was held, he was accorded a long ovation and a regular pilgrimage began to his box. This did not please the Bolsheviks, who apprehended a union of the Mussulmans around Enver Pasha, whose Communist sympathies they evidently had reason to doubt. They tried to exclude Enver from the congress, and would not allow him to speak, which caused great indignation among his followers. Their wrath was intensified by the speech of a Turkestan delegate, who drew a terrible picture of Bolshevik misrule and the oppression of the Turkestan Mussulmans. This delegate was forthwith arrested. The Congress of the Peoples of the East not only failed to further the aims of the Bolsheviks, but, on the contrary, served as a starting-point for anti-Bolshevik propaganda, inasmuch as the Mussulmans from different countries who met each other at the congress had the opportunity to exchange opinions about their Moscow allies, and these opinions were far from favorable to the Bolsheviks. The tragedies of Turkestan, Azerbaijan, and the mountain races produced an overwhelming impression on the Mussulmans of India, Afghanistan, and Anatolia."

The meeting of this congress, the Azerbaijan informant goes on to say, coincided with the Bolshevik "adventure" in Persia. After establishing themselves in Azerbaijan, we are told, the Bolsheviks decided to strike a blow at Great Britain and sent their troops to Persia. Enzeli was taken without fighting and a Persian revolutionary Government was formed at Resht, which was headed by the "well-known Anglophobe, Kutchuk Khan," who, however, "soon became convinced that Bolshevik methods were entirely unacceptable to his people, wherefore he broke with the Bolsheviks and for this reason was overthrown." After this a Russian "Red" force, together with Azerbaijan troops and recruited Persians, began an attack on Kazvin. During the fight all the Azerbaijanis and Persians crossed over to the side of the Teheran Government and the Russian "Reds" were



THE BOLSHEVIK WOLVES ARE ON NEW TRAILS.

—Simplicissimus (Munich).

in the East will be solely "by means of bayonets." The statements of this Azerbaijan politician were made to the most widely circulated newspaper in the Crimea, *Yug Rossy* ("South of Russia"), and are cited by the London *Daily Telegraph* as showing the progress of Bolshevik propaganda, which was transferred to the East by the Moscow Government "as the result of its failure in the West." The Azerbaijan politician, whose name is "withheld for obvious reasons," declares that the primary test of Lenine and Company in their Eastern offensive was to create difficulties for the Entente in that region, and he is reported as saying:

"Turkestan was chosen as the chief center of agitation. A committee for propaganda in the East was installed in Tashkend. Turkestan was the first to be condemned to suffer all the horrors of Bolshevik dominion. The Mussulman population of the country paid a terrible price for their original sympathy with the Bolsheviks. All attempts at self-determination or self-government were ruthlessly suppressed, and as the result of a series of sanguinary risings, a once flourishing country was almost laid waste. The Bolsheviks destroyed entire towns, such as Kokand, where several tens of thousands of the population perished. Owing to the dearth of bread and the prohibition to import it from Russia, famine is raging in Turkestan and about 100,000



annihilated. The Persian people are "definitely anti-Bolshevik," and we are told that—

"By the irony of fate, at the moment of the *débâcle* near Kazvin, the members of the Congress of the Peoples of the East, on Zinovieff's proposal, were taking an oath over naked swords to begin a Holy War against the Entente.

"Formerly among the political parties existing in Azerbaijan only one—the bourgeois-democratic Mussakhat—was anti-Bolshevik. The reactionary pan-Islamic Kikhat and the Socialists began by supporting the Bolsheviks, but have now resolutely turned away from them. The Azerbaijan Socialists joined the Second Internationale, and at the Geneva Congress exhorted the democracy of the West to contest Bolshevism. The Baku workmen are extremely anti-Bolshevik. There is much agitation in Baku and many workmen have been shot. The Bolsheviks have posted machine guns on the roofs of the houses in the workmen's quarters with a view to suppressing disorders. The position in the naphtha industry is most lamentable. Before the advent of the Bolsheviks the monthly yield of naphtha was about 35,000,000 poods. Now it has fallen to 4,000,000 or 5,000,000, and even in Baku itself there are ration cards for naphtha. The Bolsheviks are using up the former reserve of 20,000,000 poods. The naphtha is taken by sea to Astrakhan, but it is not allowed to be sent to Georgia or Armenia. Azerbaijan comprises the Baku and Elisabetpol governments and the Zakataly district, with a population of about 3,000,000."

Confirmation of the foregoing report of Bolshevik setbacks in the Middle East is found in the statement of Messrs. Renard and Dobrowski, two French officials who escaped from a Bolshevik prison at Batum, in which they were confined for six months. According to a Paris correspondent of a New York newspaper, they report the State of Azerbaijan as "only a fiction," the head of which is a common sailor, Pankratof, by name, who was appointed high commissioner for the so-called state, empowered with supreme authority, and sent thither from Moscow. Describing the terror in the Caucasus, Mr. Renard is quoted as saying that the titular "President of the Republic," Dr. Nerimanef, is "only a machine for signing death decrees." In Batum, during the past six months, more than eight thousand persons were put to death on summary judgments, is the testimony of Mr. Renard, who adds that "every night scores of men and women, the latter crazed by the horror of it all, stand naked against the wall waiting for the shots to ring out from the firing squads." The Batum Soviet is running short of prisons and is "using banks in which to hold political hostages," according to Mr. Renard, who is quoted further as follows:

"In a small room less than twenty feet square more than forty of us managed to live for more than three months. The make-up of the social groups was greatly varied, one time Russian Ministers and in one case a Polish diplomatist being forced to sleep under blankets with the commonest vagabonds. Separate accommodations are not provided for the women, but, like the men, they are forced to strip off their garments before the Soviet guards to exterminate body vermin twice daily, the commissioner having ordered this when the typhus epidemic was threatened in South Russia last year."

The companion of Mr. Renard, Mr. Dobrowski, says that the orders issued by the authorities of Batum are "like vaudeville jokes." For instance, "any one possessing more than two rooms must furnish an extra pair of boots to the Soviet officials." The sale of alcohol is prohibited—"except to Soviet functionaries." Violations of this order are said to be punished by death and the stock of liquor belonging to the person violating the order is "confiscated and drunk in nightly banquets by Pankratof and his colleagues." Mr. Renard believes Bolshevism will necessarily work out Russian salvation, because:

"It is a necessary antidote for the prewar Czarism. I am confident that the absorption of this virulent poison will restore Russia to normal life. To-day Bolshevism is merely Czarism upside down. It is merely an oligarchy of adventurers who are ruling by the same means as the Czar ruled. It is neither a dictatorship of the proletariat nor the application of Marxism. It is a régime of terror for the benefit of a few individuals rather than for the benefit of a few ideals."

## ITALY AND GERMANY FRIENDS AGAIN

RESUMPTION OF TRADE and diplomatic relations between Italy and Germany is taken as the best sign of the renewal of Italo-German friendship on what some Italian newspapers insist shall be a new and fairer basis of equality than formerly prevailed. Germany must give Italy a square deal, they say, and Italy will be only too glad to cooperate loyally with her for the peace of Europe. The new German Ambassador to Italy, Johann von Berenger-Gosler, advocates in an interview in *Il Tempo* (Rome) that all restrictions on commercial relations between Italy and Germany be abolished, and



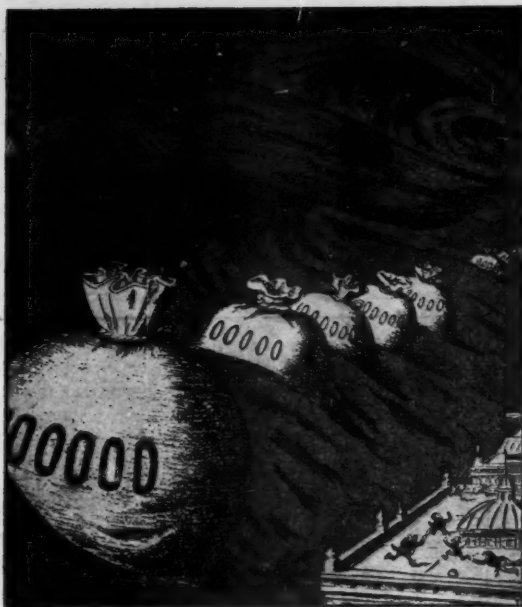
WHAT KEEPS UP THE "RED" CZAR'S THRONE.

"If only the bayonets hold out!"

—La Victoire (Paris).

says that as things are now, Switzerland enjoys the advantage of buying German products by paying in marks and reselling them in Italy for Swiss francs. *Il Tempo* informs us that the commercial relations between Italy and Germany, which rapidly developed after the armistice, are thriving despite the many difficulties of the present time, and it adds:

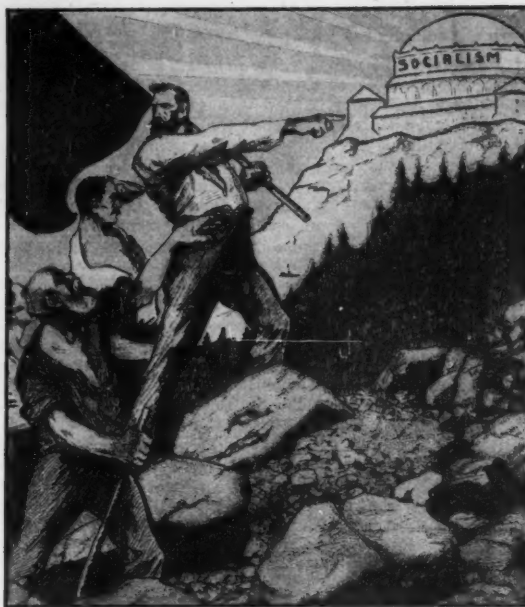
"Before the war Italy imported from Germany products valued at 503 millions of lire (\$100,000,000), and Italy's exports to Germany amounted to 319 millions of lire. After the signing of the peace our importations from Germany of scientific instruments, machinery, steel and iron products, pins, needles, chemical and metallurgical products, lumber, seeds, dry-goods, and chinaware exceeded 100 millions of lire, that is to say, one-fifth of the prewar figure. Present exports from Italy into Germany include copper, brass, bronze, nickel, silk and silk products, raw materials, agricultural products, hemp, tow, linen, wool, manufactured cotton, oranges, lemons, dried fruits, and olive oil in the total sum of about fifty millions of lire. Because Germany needs our products more than we need hers, it behooves German traders to give our traders the best accommodations of prices and terms and to help our industries and exchanges by creating favorable competition in European markets. Italy confidently foresees her resurrection in an intensive resumption of all her foreign commerce. Her deficit of fourteen milliards—the German deficit is about one hundred—can be wiped out by multiplied production and trade. . . . Thanks to the policy of Germany's new statesmen and to the abandonment of the old Pan-German mania, which Italy always merely tolerated, Germany and Italy can by their cooperation compel the other Powers to practise a policy of peace and cordiality without which



"GERMAN WORKERS, UNITE!"

"The on-rushing waves of Socialism will not be dammed by the dikes of capitalist coin if the proletariat remains united."

—Der Wahre Jakob (Stuttgart).



THE GOAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROLETARIAT.

—Der Wahre Jakob (Stuttgart).

#### TOCSIN CALLS OF GERMAN LABOR.

periodical wars are unavoidable. Italy is a sunny terrace for Germans of good taste. As Heine affirms, she is rich in lemons and poisons. Let us not compel her to hide the lemons and produce the poisons."

On the subject of renewal of diplomatic relations between Italy and Germany the Rome *Giornale d'Italia* observes:

"Germany has enormous interest in our friendship because for the things she needs she must either venture into the Russian abyss or give her aid to the various 'Balkan Austrias' which are on the verge of bankruptcy. She is isolated or almost isolated. The sympathies frequently expressed toward Germany by different people are mere humanitarian verbiage, intellectual Bolshevism, and professional Germanophilism. Only in a few cases do we find expressions rooted in deep conviction.

"Italy is interested in maintaining good relations with Germany, particularly if Germany will modify many of her conceptions of vassalage about us and inaugurate diplomatic systems founded on honesty. If German diplomacy desires a healthy reestablishment of relations it must first cooperate strenuously in the reestablishment of the peace of Europe side by side with Italy and then intensify to the utmost commercial relations in all forms of exchange between the German and Italian peoples."

In some quarters there is a tendency to indulge in pin-pricks at France, while felicitating Germany and Italy on their commercial union. Thus the Berlin *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*, one of the many organs of Germany's greatest plutocrat, Herr Stinnes, remarks that Paris "realizes with regret that the Italian Government, having abandoned all ways and thoughts of war, is advancing along its path in a spirit which makes it easy for Germany to enjoy again the relations interrupted by the war." The Rome *Avanti*, organ of the Socialist party, says:

"If France refuses to lay aside even one of the arms given her against Germany by the Treaty of Versailles, Italy can not be influenced by the same spirit. Italy has neither the interest nor the wish to consider herself an eternal foe to Germany and to cooperate toward Germany's destruction. Italy is a land of justice and can not presume to indulge in practises repugnant to all rules of public and private justice."

#### ONE WAY TO FRANCO-GERMAN UNION

FRANCO-GERMAN UNION is possible only through the medium of Internationale ideas, and the day is approaching when French and German Socialists will rise joyously for common action toward this end. Such is the confident prediction of a Socialist writer in the *Sozialistische Monatshefte* (Berlin), who says that the proletariat of both countries will join effort to establish close relations between the working-classes, who are themselves to blame for not knowing each other before now, but who "never hated each other, even in the fiercest hours of the war." An Internationale that does not prepare the way for the happy *rapprochement* of the French and German peoples is "not only useless but also ridiculous," according to this writer, who says that many who understand the meaning of the basic ideas of the Internationale both in Paris and in Berlin, as well as in other countries, are ready to lend their aid to the task. On what foundation shall this new "ark of alliance" be built, the writer asks, and proceeds:

"The principal obstacle to a Franco-German *rapprochement* before the war was ignorance on the part of both nations of the nature, the ideas, and the strength of the other. Now two nations who are ill-informed about each other and who have no common tie that binds them are easy prey for nationalists and reactionaries. Many efforts were made to establish contacts between the Germans and the French from an international standpoint, but the men who met from time to time around tables covered with green baize, and exchanged speeches and pledges of fraternity, were theorists. Their efforts were dictated by their duty as internationalists, not by their personal conviction. They did not prevent the war, and we may ask, did they not help somewhat to bring it about? To-day we need men who are enthusiasts and who believe, who act, who give themselves up utterly to the work. In a word, we need apostles who thoroughly understand the soil in which they must labor. Their apostolate should be supported by printed propaganda consisting of a true and thorough exchange of ideas between the two nations. The Internationale should multiply the points of contact between the two peoples, and rouse sympathetic and reciprocal feelings among the masses, the political parties, and even among party groups."

There are many practical means for the attainment of this objective, this Socialist advocate goes on to say, and names among the most important the exchange of youths and apprentices in trades, journeys of investigation organized by various trades, the unification of the teaching of history, which "should cease to be exclusively national," and the organization of exchange libraries and lecture courses. He tells us further that:

"The French and German proletariats should exchange all documents of essential literature, and thus create a solid bond of friendship. This friendly alliance is the only means to banish all menace of war, and it will annihilate the boasting of so-styled patriots, as the German proletariat proved in the case of Luttwitz and his gang. More than one victory can be easily set in motion on these lines of internationalism and can be immediately realized by joint action."

This writer points out that the Internationalists must not mix up in the political life of a country or adopt "a dangerous or disquieting course toward groups of the Left, whether they be Socialists or Communists, or favor or oppose such or such a Socialist doctrine," but at the same time they should follow out their own program with constant activity, for—

"There are certain principles of high importance evident to all clear-sighted men, evident to all proletariats and to all opponents of a policy of violence. If through joint effort these principles shall be brought to the ascendant, then we shall have dealt the first mortal blow to the distrust which is born of our education and under which we languish always. The future action of the international proletariat will surely and effectively bring about such a result."

**THE WORLD'S "COLD SHOULDER" TO JAPAN**—Whether their interests are affected or not, only too many countries think ill of Japan and "try to slander and alienate her from other countries," with the result that Japan is "certainly isolated spiritually," despite the Anglo-Japanese alliance and the fact that she is "one of the Allies." This is the lament of the Tokyo *Nichi-nichi*, which explains that while there may be divers reasons for this state of affairs, the "most important reason is the militarism and bureaucracy of Japan," and it adds:

"British and American publicists regard Japan as a second Germany, and they believe that her domestic and foreign policy is all shaped by the hands of the militarists. As a matter of fact, such an opinion is held by Mr. Lamont, who is said to be comparatively well informed regarding the conditions in this country and the temperament of the people. Perhaps it is not unnatural that the average Europeans and Americans who learn things Japanese only through foreign journals should think that Japan is wholly militaristic. But militarism is now a thing of the past; the militarists themselves are aware that their principles are not in accord with the trend of affairs in the world. If Europeans and Americans learn that the Japanese Government is no longer under the influence of the militarists and bureaucrats and that no unreasonable ambitions whatever underlie Japan's military operations, they ought to cooperate with us in solving the great problems of the world. At the same time it is necessary that the Japanese should be open-minded so that they may not forfeit the sympathy of the world."

## GERMAN DYES INVADING ENGLAND

**G**ERMAN PLANS TO CONTROL the world's dye industry alarm British manufacturers and stir some sections of the British press to sharp criticism of the Government for failing to protect the "recently recreated" British dyestuffs industry. Agents of German dye firms who have visited the United States, we are told, report "an extremely cool reception, and it is recognized that there will still be a fight for the trade there." But in England this most important

key industry, as the *London Times* calls the manufacture of synthetic dyestuffs, is threatened with "virtual extinction" in the not distant future. If that should unhappily come to pass, says *The Times*, the defensive capacity of Great Britain would be seriously crippled, for a dye industry is "essential to chemical warfare." The textile and other dye-consuming industries would also be menaced by the same danger that overtook them in 1914, and the people who, on the strength of the government pledge to protect this native industry, invested several millions in the British Dyestuffs Corporation, and the taxpayers who also, through the Government, invested £1,700,000 in that enterprise, will be faced with the prospect of losing their money. *The Times* recalls that—

"The outbreak of war found this country almost entirely dependent upon German supplies of dyestuffs, and the Government had immediately to tackle the problem of securing supplies elsewhere. As a result of inquiry by a Special Committee, it was decided to form a British company to develop a comprehensive dye industry. From small beginnings a great concern has been built up called the British Dyestuffs Corporation. A vast sum of money has been expended by it in research and in the erection of great works, equipped with the necessary plant and machinery. "With the approval of the Government and by arrangement with the Board of Trade, the company last year raised five millions of capital and on the front page of the prospectus it was stated in large type that the Government had pledged itself to protect the industry from aggression by German undertakings. At that time the pledge had been carried out, for a proclamation was issued on February 24, 1919, prohibiting, except by license, the importation into the United Kingdom of all dyestuffs."

But the proclamation was rendered null and void last November, *The Times* reminds us, since when the dye industry has been exposed to the blasts of German competition, and the threat to its existence becomes daily more menacing, for—

"The German factories have recovered a large proportion of their prewar output capacity, and they have been very active in reappointing selling agents in this country. Importation of German dyes is on a large and increasing scale, and is bound to increase unless the Government take steps to reimpose the licensing system. One hundred tons of German dyestuffs imported this year would mean a much large importation in 1921, for the reason that dyes imported now are being used as samples for next year's requirements. Demand for British dyestuffs has lately fallen off, owing partly, of course, to the diminished activity of the textile industry, but chiefly to the activity of the German agents, who interpret the Government's



DISCRETION THE BETTER PART OF VALOR.

MARIANNE, OF FRANCE—"I would like to be friends with you again, Fritz, but I am afraid that if I do you'll only start more fighting."

FRITZ, OF GERMANY—"Do I look like more fight, with only one good arm and one good leg? When I begin to get better I shall have plenty to do without fighting you."

—*Nebelspalter* (Zurich).



failure to carry out its pledge to mean that no prohibition will be imposed. The low value of the mark, and consequent cheapness of the German article, is also held out as a bait to British purchasers; and the user of dyestuffs, faced with the problem of how to reduce costs, is naturally inclined to succumb to the German temptation to buy. Hence, the British industry is threatened with strangulation almost at birth."

Similarly the London *Morning Post* laments that the British dye industry is on the verge of ruin, and says that Mr. Lloyd George "can only promise to fulfil the pledges next session," but that may be "too late," according to this daily, which proceeds:

"When the measure is introduced we shall be agreeably surprised if it is not altogether delusive and disappointing. For this Government, altho it contains many tariff reformers, appears to be secretly controlled by a free-trade clique. And we know that there are many in this country who hanker after the fleshpots of Egypt and the dye-pots of Germany. They care nothing either for the security of industry or of the nation. The next war, we venture to predict, will be, even more than the last, a war of chemicals. And if we sacrifice our dye industry we sacrifice our chemical industry. Let the public take note of the peril that threatens them."

Berlin press dispatches advise us that the dye business is only one of the big industries in Germany which are fortifying themselves with large amounts of new capital to make the fight for the world's market. Three of the chief dye-making firms, Messrs. Friedrich Bayer, the Badische Anilin und Soda-Fabrik, and the Meister Lucius Company, are each calling for 90,000,000 marks of fresh capital. A Berlin correspondent of a New York newspaper informs us that the Anilin Fabrikation Company, another member of the dye trust, which lately announced a dividend of 18 per cent., is calling for an additional 30,000,000 marks, and he writes further:

"There is, I am told, a rush for these shares, as the public has confidence in the ability of the dye companies, and the latter are equally sure of their future."

"A member of the Board of Directors of a well-known company, which during the last year multiplied its previous year's profits by sixfold, told me the other day that the dye trust was so certain of the superiority of its productions that it has no reason to suppose any restrictions will bar its activities in the world's best markets. Dye-trust agents who have been in England, he said, returned greatly encouraged, and from most other countries reports are altogether satisfactory."

"Another big concern, that of Messrs. Franz Rasquin & Co., of Mülheim, announced net profits just over 3,000,000 marks, as against 600,000 marks last year, and it increased its dividends from 30 to 40 per cent. The firm's report states that it 'has large orders in hand at good prices.'"

"In order to speed up the dye business, the trust is unloading its interests in the Merzbürg and Opau Chemical Manure Works onto a new company with 500,000,000 marks capital, and the trust arrangement, made in August, 1916, to expire in December, 1925, has been extended so as to remain in force. The capital of the trust, formed of seven companies, will be 962,800,000 marks. Four of the chief firms of the trust employ nearly 1,000 research experts."

The dye trust is pressing its export department to obtain relief from export restrictions, the Government is doing all it can in its own way, and this informant continues:

"I learn that reports, even from such places as Venezuela and China, are very satisfactory. In Venezuela, German dyes are pushing out American products, while China took, in the three months of April, May, and June, half the amount of the anilin dyes that England imported in six months. Holland is another market in which German dye firms are doing exceedingly well. During the first half of 1920 Holland imported from Germany nearly 18,500,000 florins' worth of all kinds of dye-stuffs, which at the present rate of exchange means about 380,000,000 marks. Of that amount anilin and tar dyes accounted for 4,500,000 florins, against 180,000 florins for the first half of 1919. It is a curious fact that some German dye firms are running on coal from the United States. German dye-firm agents who have been to the United States report an extremely cool reception, and it is recognized that there will still be a fight for the trade there."

## "ORDEAL" OF THE IRISH PRESS

NEWSPAPERS THAT "TRY TO ACT as a shield to the people, that attempt to expose the outrages committed against the people, take their lives in their hands," declares the Dublin *Freeman's Journal*, a Nationalist newspaper, whose proprietors recently were sentenced to fine and imprisonment as the result of certain publications in that journal. In contrast to this remark Dublin dispatches cite the statement of Sir Hamar Greenwood in the House of Commons that "Ireland is the freest country in the world for journalists," but some American press correspondents in Dublin aver that "there is little to bear out his statement in the pressure exerted on a large part of the Irish press." During the past few months, according to a compilation made by a Dublin newspaper, eleven Irish newspapers in various parts of the country have been bombed, wrecked, or burned. These include, we are told, the *Munster News*, *Leitrim Observer*, *Nenagh Guardian*, *Kerry News*, *Kerry Liberator*, *Newcastle West Observer*, *Galway Express*, *Kerry Sentinel*, *Westmeath Independent*, *Southern Star*, and the *Enniscorthy Echo*. Alluding to this matter, the Londonderry *Derry Journal* asserts that "no process of law, lynch law or British law, preceded the destruction!" And it charges that since the outbreak of the war in 1914 Irish Nationalist newspapers and their staffs have suffered embarrassments, losses, and anxieties, while the "burden of menace and manacles has been growing constantly greater." On their part, we are told, the press have consistently exercised forbearance and restraint, "often in exasperating circumstances of which the public know little." But that is not all, according to this daily, which relates that—

"Having got proof of instances recently where men engaged in the profession could only carry out their duties at the peril of their lives, the Institute of Journalists finds it necessary to make direct representation to Sir Hamar Greenwood 'that journalists should be safeguarded from unnecessary risk or hindrance in the discharge of their professional duties and be assured of such freedom, security, and reasonable facilities as are necessary to the efficiency of their service.'"

The London *Spectator* refers to the threatening of the staff of the Dublin *Irish Times* by "a party of disguised civilians," and to other incidents such as the firing of the advertisement office of the Dublin *Freeman's Journal*. It adds that "numerous cases of assassination are reported," and "most of these appear to be attributable to quarrels within the Sinn-Fein ranks or to the fear of informers which brings every Irish conspiracy to an end." But ample reason for a strict watch over the Irish Nationalist press is obvious to the Belfast *Northern Whig*, a sturdy champion of Irish Unionism, which declares that—

"The Sinn-Fein Headquarters Staff is not an amateur body. It is a professional organization amply supported with funds. In a period of less than three months its salaries and wages bill amounted to £7,500. On that basis its members are receiving more than £30,000 a year for their services. Their actual payment is probably considerably higher. Nor are all the Sinn-Fein funds going in the payment of this staff. There are abundant reserves for other purposes. Sir Hamar Greenwood mentioned as one of their recent outlays the expenditure of £3,500 in Scotland in the purchase of arms. They have also spent large sums on the manufacture of high explosives. So much the Chief Secretary stated, and his recital only touches the fringe of the wide-spread activities of the Sinn-Fein central organization. But it is apparent even from these facts that we have to deal with a most formidable institution, and that the main field of Sinn Fein's projected activities has been, or is being, shifted from Ireland to Great Britain. The Irish Republican Army in Ireland is closely linked up with the same body in England and Scotland; there is a regular system of transfer of members; and both forces are working to a common end. The problem, therefore, is not one which Englishmen or Scotsmen can afford to regard lightly as not directly affecting them. They must face the situation and stamp out this vile thing for the sake of their own security as well as that of Ireland."

# SCIENCE - AND - INVENTION



## WILL UNEMPLOYMENT AFFECT PUBLIC HEALTH?

**T**HE HIGH COST OF LIVING did not unfavorably affect the health of the community. That it did not is attributed by the writer of a leading article in *The Statistical Bulletin* of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (New York) to the absence of unemployment during the period of mounting prices. Wage-earners, during this time, were always certain of a full pay envelop each week, and this gain was apparently more than enough to offset the disparity between prices and wages. The writer continues:

"Despite popular misconception that wage-earners spent their higher incomes in wasteful ways, the real evidence is that much of the increased income was expended wisely in securing a more wholesome home environment. Department-store records show that wage-earners bought heavily such useful goods as furniture, bedding, carpets, and other lines of household equipment. Both industrial and ordinary insurance companies report unprecedented sales of higher-priced plans of insurance to wage-earners. The 'industrial' or weekly premium applicant became a candidate for 'intermediate' and 'ordinary' insurance. Savings-banks reported record-breaking deposits from this group of the population. Lodges and other fraternal associations gained largely in membership. Vacation resorts gave testimony that the wage-earner took advantage of his increased earnings to provide healthful outdoor recreation for his family. Skilled medical and nursing care became available to many persons who heretofore relied upon free clinic and hospital facilities. All these factors helped to lower the death-rate of the industrial population of the United States and Canada.

"During the past months, however, a change has come over the business world. The consuming public has at last been brought to drastic economy by a rapid increase of the cost of living without parallel in the economic history of the country. Luxury lines were first affected by the consumer's refusal to buy. Then the textile and allied industries felt the slackening. In rapid order, nearly every other branch of manufacturing and wholesale and retail trade was affected during the summer. Certain communities and industries have felt the dislocation of business more than others. The industries hardest hit by the decline are the automobile, textile, garment, leather, boot and shoe, steel and iron products, fur, sugar, chemical and lumber groups, nearly all lines of retail trade and, lately, transportation. Even with the lack of comprehensive data, it is evident that, at the present time, there is an oversupply of labor and that we are facing a serious unemployment problem.

"To the public-health worker this condition is one full of

concern. Does the change indicate the beginning of a wave of unemployment of long duration and large proportions; or is it but a temporary slackening in a period of price readjustment? If the former, we must consider a comprehensive program to safeguard to American workers their health gains of the last several years; if the latter, less ambitious plans of public health and relief work will be called for. It is well to recognize, however, that the answer to these questions depends upon elements not only local but national and even international in character. Much will depend upon the means adopted to liquidate world-war indebtedness and on the way the present difficulties of international currency and credit are handled. Without continued credit from America on a large scale, Europe can not absorb our surplus products, and production here will, to that extent, continue to be curtailed. But credit is the very agency which has been withdrawn not only from our European customers but has been restricted in the American market. Pending the discovery of new markets for our goods at attractive prices and the stimulation of production to meet this market, we shall have to face, for some time at least, an unsettled condition in the field of manufacture."

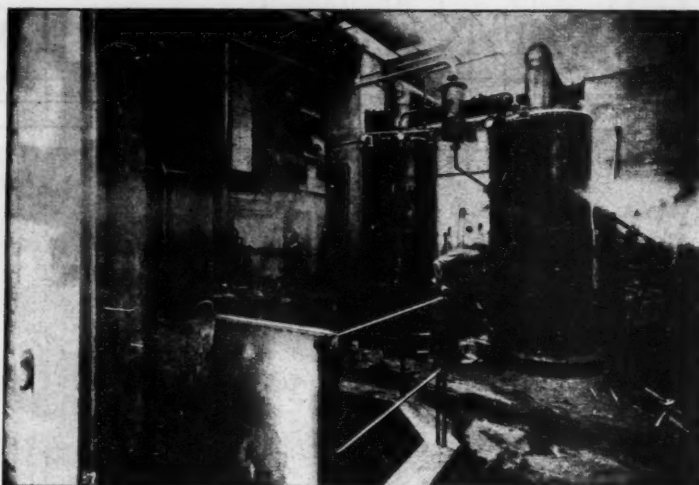
There is, nevertheless, an encouraging aspect to the situation. The present unemployment is not due to surplus production but to a slackened demand because of dissatisfaction with prices. Housing, transportation facilities, public utilities and sanitary works, and other materials and equipment which were "starved" during the period of the war must now be built up. The employment afforded by the building up of these elements should easily absorb all the available surplus labor now in the country. Demand for essentials may be revived at lower price levels among the salaried clerical and professional elements, and persons whose incomes are derived from conservative investments, annuities, and allowances, who were compelled to restrict expenditures during the "boom" period. It would, therefore, appear that the unemployment situation is temporary and will right itself. However:

"In any case, we must meet the present unemployment problem and its immediate effects upon public health. The activities of public-health agencies must be intensified during the next few months. Agencies concerned in the prevention of tuberculosis should not be allowed to suffer from lack of funds, the budgets of State and city health departments should, if anything, be augmented rather than curtailed in the present temporary



From "The Illustrated London News."

A PATIENT INHALING THE CURATIVE GAS.



PLANT WHERE THE CURATIVE GAS IS PREPARED AND DISTRIBUTED.

CURING THE GASED BY GIVING THEM MORE GAS.

financial stringency. Relief agencies in general should not be suffered to slump in their ability to take care of perhaps large numbers of distressed families. Further stimulation of housing facilities stands out as a primary necessity in the present juncture not only as a measure of relief of unemployment but as a corrective health measure. Only by concerted effort similar to that employed during the war can the effects of wide-spread and unrelieved unemployment on the public health be averted. Finally, we must take note of that fact that there exists no agency, governmental or private, at the present time capable of dealing practically with the vital economic problems incidental to periods of unemployment. We take for granted these periodic recurrences of business depression and make no organized effort to anticipate the conditions of hardship and suffering they inevitably cause. The present situation offers an opportunity to lay foundations for the establishment of means for handling the distress of unemployment not only in the present but in the future.

"We must strive to hold what has been gained in national vitality during the war."

**MISLEADING SCHOOL MAPS**—It has long been the dream of geographers, says *The Press Bulletin* of the United States Geological Survey (Washington), to make a series of maps of the world on a uniform scale. It goes on:

"Indeed, it is considered unfortunate for school-children that the geographies do not show all countries by maps on a single, uniform scale, for unless a student observes very carefully the figures showing the scale of each map or the figures showing the area of the country mapped, he is likely to get the impression that certain distant lands, which are generally mapped on a small scale, are smaller than those with which he is most familiar. Take Australia, for example: The maps in the geographies now used in most of our schools show it on a small scale—about one-third as large as that used for the map of the United States; yet Australia is, in fact, nearly as large as the United States—only about one-fortieth (2½ per cent.) smaller. China is generally shown smaller in area than the United States, yet it is about one-third larger. The work of preparing maps of the entire world on a uniform scale of one to one million—that is, maps on which one unit (any unit—inch, centimeter, millimeter, etc.) represents one million like units on the ground—has been under way for several years, and the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, has made considerable progress in its work on the parts of this map that were assigned to the United States. The principle used in preparing these maps, if adopted by the publishers of school-books, will give the children accurate impressions of the relative sizes of the countries of the world."

## GASSING THE GASED

**A** "HAIR OF THE DOG that bit them" is administered to patients suffering from the poison-gases of the war, by Dr. Arnold, a Paris physician, who treats them with antitoxic gas in his clinic at Auteuil, in that city. A hint of the treatment has already been given in this department, and we now present further details, accompanied by pictures, from an article in *The Illustrated London News*. Describing his method of treatment for gassed men, Dr. Arnold says, as quoted by the correspondent of *The News*, Mr. Peytavi-Faugères:

"It is very simple. Having proved the failure of remedies conveyed by way of the blood, I had recourse to a system of inhalation, that is, the penetration of the bronchial system with a vaporized bacteria-killing medicament. But the gas thus vaporized must be applied with a certain pressure, in order to penetrate and impregnate those parts of the lungs affected by poisonous gas. In short, these gases are of balsamic bactericide composition. Brought to a high temperature in the machines shown in one of the photographs, the balsamic products for saturating the lungs become volatile and mix with steam, by means of which they are carried into the system. Thus, where poison-gas has ravaged the tissues, antitoxic gas is infused, and spreads slowly over the wounds and heals them. In short, one adopts the German method, but this time in order to cure its terrible effects. I have not had a single case of gassing that has resisted the treatment. Out of a hundred patients I have cured a hundred. From the gas-producing apparatus the gas is conveyed by pipes to the room where the patients are treated, and they inhale it from a tube protruding through a partition wall. While they are doing so, one of the medical staff listens to the action of the lungs, with his ear against the patient's back, and is thus able to gauge the progress of recovery."

Mr. Peytavi-Faugères writes further to *The News*:

"The attention of the French public has been more and more attracted by the fine humanitarian work undertaken by Dr. Arnold, whose clinic is situated in the Rue Erlanger. Moved with pity for the soldiers gassed in the war, who, for want of adequate treatment, died by hundreds every day, he sought a remedy for those unfortunate men who still clung to life, to enable them to recover health and vigor. Relying entirely on his own resources—necessarily very limited when one remembers that there are still nearly 200,000 gassed men in France—Dr. Arnold applies his methods with most consoling results. There is not a single gassed man who has entered his doors that has not left them completely cured. . . . One can only hope that his system, equally applicable to tuberculosis, will come increasingly into common use."



## FERTILIZING THE AIR

**B**ETTER THAN FERTILIZING THE SOIL in which a plant grows is the addition of carbonic-acid gas to the air around it. At least, this is the conclusion deduced by Dr. Alfred Gradenwitz from experiments now in progress in Germany. Writing in *The Scientific American* (New York), Dr. Gradenwitz reminds us that one of the principal constituents of a plant is carbon, derived from atmospheric carbonic acid. This gas is absorbed by the chlorophyll or green matter of the leaves and decomposed into carbon and oxygen. The former, in conjunction with the root-sap and atmospheric moisture, is worked into organic compounds. He continues:

"Whereas atmospheric air at present is relatively poor in carbonic acid, of which it contains only about .03 per cent., at an early period in the development of our planet, when this was covered with the luxuriant forests our coal deposits are derived from, it comprised incomparably greater quantities of this gas. This fact suggested the idea of heightening the fertility of the soil by increasing its carbonic-acid content and thus producing conditions resembling those of antediluvian ages. In order to enable such a process to be carried out on anything like a commercial line, a cheap source of carbonic acid had, of course, to be provided.

"This was found by Dr. Fr. Riedel, of Essen-on-Ruhr, in the combustion gases escaping from all factories, but most abundantly from blast-furnaces, and which so far had been allowed to flow out into the atmosphere without serving any useful purpose. He accordingly set to work designing a process for which patents were obtained and which was put to practical tests on a large scale. Three greenhouses were at first erected, one of which served as testing-room, while the two others were used for checking purposes. The testing-room was supplied with purified and burnt blast-furnace exhaust gases through a line of punctured piping traversing the whole greenhouse in a forward and backward direction. The gas supply was started on June 12, that is to say, at a time when plant growth was at its height.

"On account of the careful cleansing and complete elimina-

gas were found to reach more than a yard in span, whereas the largest leaf in the checking-houses was only about a foot and a half in width. Plants submitted to the influence of carbonic-acid gas also showed a marked advance with regard to their height. With the tomatoes planted in another part of the greenhouse the weight of the same number of fruits in the testing-room was 175 per cent. more. With the cucumbers planted at the same time a somewhat slighter difference was noted, an



CONTRAST THESE CROPS UNDER THE NEW AND OLD METHODS.

increase of 70 per cent. An interesting phenomenon noted in this connection was that, while the cucumbers in the checking-houses would exhibit bright spots, those in the testing-house, on account of the more plentiful formation of chlorophyll, were of a dark-green color throughout.

"Experiments in the open air were made simultaneously with these greenhouse tests, a square plot of ground being encircled by punctured cement pipes from which a continuous supply of exhaust gases was escaping. The wind, mostly striking the ground at an angle, would drive the carbonic acid in a variable direction toward the plants, thus allowing extensive areas to be supplied with the fertilizing gas. On the opposite side of the greenhouse plant there was provided for checking purposes a plot of the same size submitted to no carbonic-acid gas, the soil in the two plots being of the same quality. Samples were derived from the best portions of the checking-field, but from the center of the field submitted to the action of carbonic-acid gas, the increase in yield in the case of spinach was found to be 150 per cent., with potatoes 180 per cent., with lupines (a legume) 174 per cent., and with barley 100 per cent. The potatoes in the field submitted to the action of carbonic-acid gas were found to ripen much more quickly than in the checking-plot."

The testing-plant, in view of these results, was extended, three greenhouses being added, while the small, open-ground plant was increased considerably and more extensive grounds were provided with underground pipes. Especially favorable results were obtained on this field with potatoes, a 300 per cent. increase being recorded in connection with tests on a large scale. To quote further:

"All experiments so far made go to show that fertilizing the air by means of carbonic-acid gas is a much more efficient process than even an increased fertilization of the ground with stable manure and cow dung.

"According to Dr. Riedel's calculations an iron-works dealing in its blast-furnaces with about 4,000 tons of coke per day will daily produce as much as 35,000,000 cubic meters of combustion gases, containing 20 per cent. carbonic-acid gas. This is such an enormous amount that even in the case of a partial utilization most extensive plots of ground can be supplied with the precious air-fertilizer. Dr. Riedel therefore believes that carbonic-acid works for supplying agriculture will before long be quite as common a feature as electricity and gas works, the large industrial centers at the same time becoming centers of increasing agricultural production.

"Careful analysis has shown the increase in the percentage of carbonic acid in the air to remain far below the limit where the gas becomes liable to endanger the health of man."



SIMILAR CONTRAST FOR CAULIFLOWER PLANTS.

tion of constituents such as sulfur, the gas was found to exert no harmful effects. On the contrary, even a few days after starting the test, there could be observed in the testing-room a more luxuriant vegetation than in the checking-houses. The leaves of the castor-oil plant in the greenhouse supplied with

## AN UNFIXT "FIXTURE"

**E**LECTRIC-LIGHTING FIXTURES need be "fixtures" no longer. A device recently invented and now developed on a practical scale makes it possible to move chandeliers and wall-brackets from place to place as easily as toasters, vacuum-cleaners, and other appliances. Says George Gaulois, writing in *The Scientific American* (New York):

"The basis of the new invention, which promises to mean much in the electrical industry, is a plug with curved blades. This plug may be attached to any wall-light. With its lighting



Courtesy of "The Scientific American."

A "FIXTURE" THAT IS NOT FIXT.

fixture attached, this plug is inserted with a rotary motion into a new type of electric outlet, the blades pointing upward. Electrical and mechanical connections are made at the same time; and the plug, supported by the curved blades, is strong enough to hold the heaviest wall-fixture. The outlet looks very much like the familiar baseboard plate, having two parallel slots in a rounded triangular center. An inconspicuous circular plate marks the new ceiling outlet, which forms a unit of this novel system of fixtures. A plug with curved prongs also is provided for this outlet. It differs from the wall-plug, however, in that one-half of the plug is inserted at a time, the prongs extending in opposite directions. A hook at the other end of the plug supports the chandeliers, and makes the necessary electrical connections by means of flexible wires. Now these mechanical hooks, as distinguished from the curved prongs which make the electrical connections and also secure the lower hooks to the ceiling, may be arranged either in a coinciding or in an opposite manner, so as to form in construction either a hook or a ring. In either event the ring of the chain supporting the fixture serves to hold the two halves together, thus locking the entire arrangement in place. The devices for this new system are to be manufactured by a number of companies and will be on the market by the beginning of the new year. The flexibility of lighting which will be afforded by this system will be especially appreciated in the home. The ability to rearrange and replace lighting equipment without the services of the electrician will make possible a rapid development in the science of home lighting."

## DUST, GOOD AND BAD

**T**HE TROUBLES CAUSED BY DUST have been enlarged upon by many writers. That there is a beneficent side to its activities is not so well known. Jacques W. Redway, the geographer, writing in *Ecology* (Brooklyn), tells us that the floating dust of the air is distinct from the wind-blown dust; the former may be regarded as a natural constituent of the atmosphere; it is the latter that does harm, especially when its source is the city street, altho on the wind-swept plain its work may create valuable soil. Writes Mr. Redway:

"The floating dust of the air probably is not brought to the earth except by means other than its own gravity. The 'other' means is condensation. The water vapor of the air condenses first on these minute dust particles; thereby our rainfall is gentle and even in character during the shower. Were it not for this feature of nature, every shower would be a terrific cloud-burst. The floating dust up to a height of six or seven miles—for moisture does not extend materially higher than cirrus clouds—is one of earth's greatest blessings. If life existed without it, life would be vastly different from what it now is.

"The shell of wind-blown dust, as distinguished from the floating dust, is rarely thicker than half a mile. In arid regions where vegetation does not anchor it, wind-blown dust is a mighty physiographic agent. Dust carried more than a thousand miles from the Desert of Gobi fills the channel of the Hoang River, 'China's Sorrow,' until the bed and banks of the river are higher than the surrounding land. The river can not clean out its channel; therefore, it must make a new one. The history of that part of China is a record of the sorrow of Han—all from a single cause—the dust of the Gobi—catastrophic and destructive, not constructive.

"In the plains of this country we have another illustration. The wind-blown dust is delivered in such measure to rivers of the Platte type—'a mile wide, an inch deep, with bottom on top'—that the whole effect is beneficent. Rock waste born of the mountains to the westward is transported, distributed, and leveled. The process is rarely destructive; almost always it is constructive. Billions of tons of mineral matter are yearly taken from a region that is non-productive and converted into soil which has the potentiality of nutrition and life. But it is dust—all dust.

"Now there exists another consideration of wind-blown dust that is confined to thickly peopled regions where practically all the wind-blown dust is picked up from public streets. A small proportion—pollen, leaf dust, foliage smut, the eggs of insects, and the wing scales of lepidoptera—is gathered from swarded areas. Pollen excepted, the dust of swarded areas is not a menace. At its worst it merely breeds fine crops of infusoria when exposed in water. But wind-swept street-dust is a menace to health, perhaps as dangerous as contaminated water. "Let us assume that finely ground paving substance is the chief part of street dust. If the paving is a rock or brick surface the mineral matter—usually silicious—is sharp-edged; therefore, it cuts the soft tissues in which it lodges.

"The character of the dust of public streets is an important factor, and the dust is composed of whatever is dropt there. From the moment when anything reaches the street surface the grinding process begins. The rattan broom of the sweeper is the last instrument in the grinding process; and the process is completed when the cartman tosses the accumulation into the air with his shovel.

"Next to paving material, horse dung is the most noteworthy component of wind-blown dust, and its lightest part, the fibrous cellular tissue, is not wholly freed from the soluble biliary part by the action of rain and street-sprinkling; it retains a part of the soluble matter and also a rich content of germ life—bacilli, micrococci, and myxobacteria. Among the varieties of germ life most important in ecological science are the bacilli of tetanus and of tuberculosis. Cases of infection by the latter have been reported many times. Cases due to the first named are rare unless they occur in connection with lacerations. The soil seems to be the home of the tetanus bacillus. A war-scarc made infected court-plaster, peddled by alleged enemy agents, a premeditated scheme for infection of communities. In evidence cultures of the suspected court-plaster produced tetanus bacilli. So also would anything else soiled by dirty hands. As a matter of fact, for every bacillus found on dirty court-plaster a myriad might be found on the handle of a garden tool, or on the hands of any youngster who plays marbles on the ground. The

presence of tubercle bacilli in dust can not be doubted, but the danger from infection from the tubercle bacilli of street dust is slight as compared with the danger from the dust of a room occupied by a tuberculous patient. Nevertheless, dried sputum is a constituent of the street dust of cities, and cases of infection by means of it have been established beyond reasonable doubt. As a matter of fact, tubercle bacilli are rarely absent from street dust, and in city streets they are generally the most notable feature of germ life.

"The colon bacillus is almost always in evidence in street dust. It is a product of the horse-dung content of such dust. The colon bacillus in street dust need not be a cause for alarm *per se*. When found in drinking-water, however, there may be danger from the possible presence of typhoid bacilli, because both are characteristic of the enteric tract. As a rule, for every colon bacillus found in a glass of water, about a million find lodgment on articles of food exposed for sale on open street-stands. Other forms of germ life a-plenty are constituents of wind-blown street dust, but, so far as known, they play merely an insignificant part in the economics of humanity. They need not be considered here."

### A NEW DEVICE FOR THE BLIND

A DEVICE LIKE A PHONOGRAPH, producing a distinct group of noises for every group of the alphabet, is offered by Dr. Max Herz, a blind Viennese specialist, to supersede the present point systems of printing for the blind, which are read by touch. It does not appear, at first sight, why a voice-record on an ordinary phonograph disk would not prove still more effective, but, according to Harry A. Mount, who describes the new plan in *Popular Mechanics* (Chicago), authorities believe that the possibilities of its development are great. Dr. Herz recently made a visit to this country, we are told, at the invitation of the New York State Commission for the Blind, *The Ziegler Magazine*, and other interested institutions. He has now returned to Vienna to experiment further and devise improvements in the instrument. Writes Mr. Mount:

"A code similar to the Morse alphabet ticked off by a phonographlike machine may soon replace the Braille system of raised dots for reading among the blind. The code record has many advantages; chief among them is the fact that an ordinary book can be transcribed onto two records, while the same book in Braille would require five or six very bulky volumes. It is claimed, also, that the code is much easier to read than the raised dots—which require a very delicate sense of touch—and therefore can be used by a much larger number of blind persons.

"The reproducing instrument is in reality a modified form of phonograph. It consists of a small record disk, but instead of the customary spring motor, the disk is rotated by hand by the manipulation of a larger disk mounted on the same shaft with the record disk, and directly beneath it. There is a series of gears connecting the two disks, so that ten turns of the lower one, which acts as a flywheel, produce one revolution of the record disk. Thus the record disk moves very slowly, this fact accounting for the great number of words that can be recorded on it. Spoken words could not be recorded on such a slow-moving disk, and so a system of dots, following a code similar to the Morse, is used. The dash of the Morse code is eliminated and the letters of the alphabet are made up of combinations of one, two, and four dots. The four dots in these combinations are very close together, so that they produce a short buzz. The dots are low-toned, being scarcely audible. Loud or harsh sounds have been purposely avoided so that the use of the machine does not become tiresome or wearing on the nerves.

"Dr. Herz did not bring with him his recording machines so they have not been seen in this country. They are described, however, as consisting of a typewriterlike machine that punches a series of dots corresponding to the code in a strip of paper, and another machine, through which this paper strip is run. The dots in the paper are made to vibrate the needle of a phonograph reproducer in such a way that the recording needle produces on the record a series of indentations. When this record is used in the reproducing machine, these indentations produce ticks corresponding to the dots of the code.

"A master record is then made of the original and as many copies as desired can then be produced, using the same process as in the manufacture of phonograph records. The dots on the original record are so slight, however, that the one attempt to

make these records by an American phonograph-record manufacturer has resulted in failure. It remains for Dr. Herz to demonstrate the practicability of manufacturing the present form of record or of modifying it to meet production conditions. There is little doubt, however, that this can be done."

The Braille system has been in use for more than half a century, and Mr. Mount believes that it has serious drawbacks. It requires a sensitive touch, and only a comparatively small number of the thousands of blind persons in this country can read it. An active mind also is required, Mr. Mount says, for a clear understanding of Braille, and even then about two years' study is required before one can read it easily. However, any person who has sufficient intelligence to master the Morse code



Courtesy of "Popular Mechanics," Chicago.

TO REPLACE THE BULKY BRAILLE BOOKS.

An ordinary book can be transcribed upon two phonograph records by the new system for the blind. Under the old point print it would fill five or six large volumes.

can learn the typophonia method in a few weeks, Dr. Herz contends. The writer continues:

"The reproducing instrument itself is a very simple apparatus. It could be sold at about \$15, and undoubtedly would be placed at the disposal of every blind person free of cost, where necessary. The cost of the records, which would be manufactured without profit, would be only ten or fifteen cents each. A circulating-library system for these records would make available for the blind man or woman a large collection of the world's best literature.

"The inventor also has evolved plans for a new system of producing Braille characters which he believes to be an improvement on the one now employed. In the present method of printing Braille, the dots are first imprinted on a double sheet of specially annealed sheet iron. The sheets are then separated and placed on the cylinders of a printing-press in exact registering position. A special grade of heavy paper is first soaked overnight and, as these sheets are run through the press, the dots are embossed on them. The sheets are baked in a big gas-oven and then assembled into books.

"Dr. Herz makes use of a puttylike preparation which adheres so closely to paper that it appears to become a part of it. He first punches the Braille characters in a sheet of heavy paper or tin and lays this on the sheet to be imprinted. Then he rubs in the composition material and removes the tin. This leaves on the paper little dots of the material, which when dry serve the same purpose as the embossed characters of the old process. Thin paper can be used and Dr. Herz plans to have this work done by blind persons."



# LETTERS - AND - ART

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## AN INTERPRETER OF FEMININE ELEGANCE

"MARGOT'S" AUTOBIOGRAPHY is said by some to be a picture of a society that is passing away, that the war, in fact, made obsolete. Perhaps the future will reveal the truth or falsity of the observation. If it is true, ought not the French artist, Paul Helleu, to have been engaged to illustrate it? Perhaps his gallery is a bit too cosmopolitan and not enough exclusively English; but his pencil is so essentially of the immediate prewar time that this combination of recorders seems inevitable. "Are not his Americans and his Parisians, with their fashionable coiffures or hats, the expression of an epoch, just as are the models of the great painters?" asks Philippe Aubigny in *La France* (New York), signaling the visit that Helleu is just now paying this country. The "familiar figure at Trouville and on the Avenue du Bois," the "faithful interpreter of elegance in its most fleeting and eternal aspect—woman," as Mr. Aubigny calls him, is the pictorial historian of an "epoch when a pretty woman, contemporary of feminism, bears a self-confident air, but prefers nevertheless to linger awhile longer in the soft warmth of luxury." She is said to possess "the laziness and grace of the wealthy, the grace and health of youth. Twice gracious. . . ." Mr. Aubigny gives some account of her interpreter:

"This man of the world is an inveterate worker; the success which is his and has been his for many years is the result of forty years of work. When he was eighteen years old, Sargent, the great American painter, went to see him in the studio which he occupied at that time in the Quartier Montparnasse and bought one of his pastels for a thousand francs. Helleu had heard people speak of a thousand francs, but he had never seen such a large sum of money. At that time he did not dine daily.

"Through sheer work, fame and success came to him. Albert Wolff in the *Figaro* and the independent and fierce Mirbeau discovered him; since that time the other critics have been very kindly disposed toward him. Helleu was doing pastels at the time and exhibited at the first exposition of the Pastellists. Then, upon the advice of Sargent, he took up dry-point etching. James Tissot gave him his diamond to cut his first etchings; it must be remarked here that he is not so much an etcher as a painter, and that etching, as he himself says, has always been for him merely a 'pot-boiler.'

"At the same time Helleu devoted himself to the study of Versailles, the city where fantasies of the past wander through the autumnal parks and gardens. The Philadelphia museum owns a painting of Diana which belongs to this long and laborious period of Helleu's life. Furthermore, he was the first to paint the interiors of cathedrals—Reims, Paris, St. Denis (in the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston).

"All the while the fame of Helleu as a dry-point etcher was on the increase. Sargent, to whom he owes his career, whom

he considers his best friend, and who helped him considerably at the beginning, induced Alma Tadema and Seymour Hayden to buy some of his first works in this branch of his art. In spite of the floods of orders which poured in upon him from all sides, Helleu still had time to paint in oil, and on board his small sailing yacht, in which he went from Cowes to Trouville, he painted a number of marines as well as the elegant silhouette of a woman in white against a background of blue sea.

"Nearly all his models, with the exception of a few children, have been women, the most beautiful, and the most elegant women of France, England, and America. Among the 2,600, or more, dry-point etchings he has done, we find Queen Alexandra, Princess Patricia, the Duchess of Marlborough, the Countesses of Greffulhes, of Béarn, Mathieu de Noailles, the Duchess of Noailles, the Duchess d'Audiffred-Pasquier, Madame Letellier, the Countess of San Martino, Madame Menier. Among the Americans are Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, the daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mrs. and Miss Harriman, Mrs. Philip Lydig, Mrs. John Barrymore, four of the Goulds, Miss Ethel Barrymore, and Miss Billie Burke."

His best model, the one who served him for more than thirty years, was addressed by the French poet, Robert de Montesquiou, as "la multiforme Alice aux cheveux roses." Not only the lady with the rose-red hair, but his two daughters and son have often been the subject of his pencil. The writer calls attention to some of the less familiar aspects of Helleu's work:

"Helleu's present visit to America is his third and was also undertaken at the advice of Sargent. The artist will likewise publish here a large volume of his drawings of twenty beautiful American women. He has already published a book entitled 'Nos Bébés,' and a catalog of his works appeared a few

years ago with a preface by Edmond de Goncourt and a portrait of Helleu by Boldini.

"The procedure of his dry points is simple and masterly. He is the first man since Rembrandt to work directly from the living model. He attacks a large plate of copper upon which he draws directly with his diamond, a method which prevents any retouching. Therein, he admits, lies the difficulty and the merit.

"One must not be as severe toward his dry points as Helleu wishes to appear; if they have, above all, been 'pot-boilers' for him, they give to those who look at them an impression of grace and undeniable elegance. Let us pass over the accuracy of the drawing, the perfect handling of the hands and arms and their strikingly lifelike quality. That is the base upon which he has built up his entire work: an untrusting study and profound knowledge of drawing. But one must observe, above all, that these pretty women, these graceful beings, are not to be confused with the banal and made-to-order work of many modern illustrators. They breathe the pride and the *finesse* of the great masters of portrait painting. Look at the smiling and mysterious dignity of the Duchess of Marlborough; the pensive



From the collection of Mr. Whitney Warren.

HELLEU INTERPRETED BY BOLDINI.

"Helleu's personal characteristics, his precise movements, his direct, intent gaze, and his clear-cut speech explain in no small degree the crisp, unflinching quality of his work."

malice of Madame d'Audiffred-Pasquier; the calm profile of little Paulette, his daughter; all these women whom one meets while shopping or taking tea in New Bond Street, on Fifth Avenue, or on the Rue de la Paix, keep under the diamond of Helleu their grace and intelligence, the profound poetry of distinction, and the life of their expression. These are the characteristics we find the French and English masters of the eighteenth century possessing; they are the true tradition of the great epoch of the portrait."

## LITERARY FASCINATION OF CRIME

THE LITERATURE OF CRIME is large enough in bulk to prove its fascination for the average human mind.

If this is not so, the newspaper accounts of crime, which can not be called literature, make up the weight to confirm the judgment. London had a startling exhibition of "the popular interest in crime" in the make-up of its evening papers one day in November. *The New Statesman* (London) calls it "one of the critical days in contemporary history." "America was deciding at the Presidential election matters that affected the peace and welfare of the entire world. In England, Scotland, and Wales the miners were voting on a matter that affected the health and comfort of every one of us, as well as of hundreds of thousands of poor people in France and Italy. In Scotland the people were deciding whether the perilous social revolution known as prohibition was to be allowed to break out in these islands. In the House of Lords, in the debate on government outrages in Ireland, the Archbishop of Canterbury was to announce whether he believed in God or not." But, according to *The New Statesman*, "the evening papers cared for none of these things, or cared comparatively little." They devoted column after column to reports of a trial of a man accused of poisoning his wife—a man "of whom one had never heard until a few days ago," "in a place of which one had never heard until a few days ago." *The New Statesman* delves for causes of such abnormal interest, finding a part in the "gambling interest" of whether the man is guilty or not, but more in something else, as the writer goes on to show:

"We have heard it alleged that our interest in criminals is largely a perverted sportsman's instinct. We enjoy the chase, it is said, with the prospect of a dead man for a prize. We are the rider after the fox, the dog after the cat, the cat after the mouse. This, we are willing to admit, may enter into our interest in crime, but it accounts at most for a small part of it. We have only to turn to literature to see that the fascination of crime for the human imagination is based on something more creditable than the lust of killing. Most of the great dramatic poets have chosen murder as one of their most conspicuous themes, yet in the poets it is pity, not cruelty, that utters the last word. Aeschylus shows us the *Furies* in pursuit of *Orestes*, but he does not put us in the mood of hunters as we read. Shakespeare shows us *Othello* committing his crime and paying the penalty with his dagger, but the rest is pity. It is true that we do not mourn when the undiluted sort of criminal meets his doom. We have no tears for *Hamlet's* uncle or for *Iago*. We have no regrets when the 'infelice Guido Franceschini' in 'The Ring and the Book' is con-

demned to execution. Our attitude to murderers is as varied as our attitude to human beings in general. It would be almost true to say that we distinguish between good murderers and bad. No one, we fancy, ever lived who would have any feeling but one of detestation for *Othello's* murder of *Desdemona*, but we do not detest *Othello*. We regard him as a good man who happened to be a murderer. The law makes little allowances for such distinctions, but ordinary human beings do. This is obvious on those frequent occasions on which some man is put on his trial for a crime *passionnel*. Public opinion, especially in France, has a way of swinging on to the side of the accused man. It is as tho people felt that he was guilty of a crime of which almost any one might have been guilty. He is in their view a man of one crime, not a habitual criminal. There are criminologists who say that such a man is unlikely ever to commit a crime again, and that there is, therefore, no danger to society in his acquittal. This is not easy to prove. Organized society is not, in any case, willing to take chances. Still, there is no doubt that



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### THE COMPETITOR OF THE FEMINIST.

Helleu depicts the luxury-loving woman of the day who may yet give way to the insurgent feminist type.

we do hate a man far more bitterly for malice than for murder. If we do not suspect a murderer of malice, we may give our voice for his execution, but he does not go to the scaffold without our sympathy. There is no unforgivable crime but cruelty."

Galsworthy, it is recalled, was accused some years ago of encouraging a sentimental attitude toward crime when he asked us in "Justice" to sympathize with a weakling who had embezzled money. Such a case is not thus decided. *The New Statesman* continues:

"Mr. Galsworthy is undoubtedly a sentimentalist, but in this particular instance he expresses a view which is that of sound English common sense. He recognized the fact that there are good forgers as well as bad forgers—a fact which, if we were not so terrified of the risks run by our property, would be admitted by everybody. In private life, the average man is reluctant to press too hard on a man who is guilty of only one lapse into dishonesty. Every business firm, every political society, must again and again have left unpunished some trusted servant who, in a moment of temptation, has betrayed his trust. In such matters, it is only a hard man who will not give the criminal 'another chance.' Among dishonest employees, many are dismissed but few are prosecuted. Cynics will tell you that it is not often that the dishonest man justifies the leniency shown to him. The taint, they affirm, is there, and will break out again at an opportune moment. Even so, the reasonable man who remembers that Diogenes was unable to discover an honest man with the aid of a lamp does well to be lenient apart from any question of sentimentality. When the celebrated clergyman-forgery, Dr. Dodd, lay in prison, awaiting execution for his sins, it was the clear-headed Dr. Johnson who wrote to him: 'Be comforted. Your crime, morally or religiously considered, has no very deep dye of turpitude. It corrupted no man's principles;

it attacked no man's life. It involved only a temporary and repairable injury.' Dr. Johnson was, perhaps, from one point of view, mistaken. He was, as we are reminded in the 'Johnson Club Papers,' mistaken in his estimate of Dr. Dodd's character. He wrote a 'dying speech' for the condemned man to leave with the sheriff on the day of execution, and in this he made the condemned man say: 'My life for some few unhappy years has been dreadfully hypocritical.' Dr. Dodd altered the word 'hypocritical' to 'erroneous,' adding in a note that 'with hypocrisy he could not charge himself.' That is the worst of criminals. It is well that other people should take a lenient view of their crimes, but it is not well that they themselves should take a lenient view of their crimes. The criminal should be the object of the tolerance of other people but of his own intolerance. But probably the human instinct of self-defense is so strong that it is impossible to sympathize with a criminal without making him feel like a hero. Man remains a vain creature to the end. He is vain even as he confesses his guilt. He is vain, if of nothing else, of his honesty in confessing it.

"If we have any sympathy with criminals, then, it should not be based on the probability that it will do the criminal any good. Its true foundation is a clear perception of the fact that after all the rest of us are not so very much better."

### OUR MUSICAL "POTTERISM"

IF "Highbrow" were not sitting so snugly on his throne a new word might cast him down. But the word means the same thing. It is "Potterism," and derives from a richly satirical novel by an English writer, Rose Macauley. Mr. James G. Huneker, who is always gunning for the new bird, is the one who brings down this one to find it an old friend in new feathers. "Potterism is only a new word for an old thing—cant, or, as we say, humbug, and, on its more serious side, hypocrisy. Self-satisfaction is its key-note . . . a species of sterile intellectualism which irritates sensible people because of the lofty, condescending attitude assumed by certain persons who, terribly at ease in Zion, are seemingly in the secret councils of the Almighty." Thus, having defined the word, and established its kinship with the "Podsnappery" of Dickens, the "Snobbism" of Thackeray, the "Bovaryism" of Flaubert, he finds it particularly in the musical public of to-day. Only he lets us all down easily on the ground that we are the victims of the world of illusion. "It is a law of life, a superstition, this game of self-eluding, and superstition is the cement of civilization." Musical Potterism, Mr. Huneker avers in his Sunday causerie in the *New York World*, is everywhere rampant. In fact:

"It bobs up in music criticisms and peeps forth in daily intercourse. 'Give me good old Mozart,' cried the classical Potterite, 'and keep your modern kickshaws. Mozart is good enough for me!' Alas, we think Mozart is too good for this bonehead, who, no doubt, prefers a Broadway comic opera to 'The Marriage of Figaro.' Another of the exasperating Potterites is the haunter of concert-halls who spends his time in comparing violinists, pianists, singers, orchestras. Criticism thrives on comparisons. That we know; but the infernal hair-splitting over this bald subject gets on your nerves. Music and morals is another favorite grouping of two widely sundered things. Not so, asserts the uplifter who seeks sermons in running Bachs and usually finds immoral rubble. Of all the damnable nuisances in the Vale of Tone, commend me to your moralizer. He is too much in evidence nowadays, and his pernicious influence will, I feel certain, close every theater, opera-house, picture-gallery, and book in our present United States of Slaves.

"There is too much critical cant concerning the classics of music. How uncritical we are! We say Mozart and Beethoven just as we say Goethe and Schiller. Such bracketing is bubbling bosh. It is almost Hegelian in its identification of opposites. We can understand the conjunction of Mascagni and Leoncavallo in 'Cavalleria' and 'Pagliacci,' a managerial marriage, with one eye on the box-office. But Bach and Beethoven. Or Schumann and Chopin. How absurd and lazy-minded is such association of names! One of the most ingrained of Potterisms is that the gallery at the opera is the repository of the most precious criticism. For gallery, read the standees at our opera—the rail-birds, so called. As a matter of fact, the most illegitimate

applause comes from these quarters. Does a tenor bawl, a basso bellow, a soprano scream, thunderous explosions prove our contention. When Galli-Curci sang off key at the Lexington Theater last season she was hailed in an unmistakably cordial manner. We have noticed the same lack of taste at the San Carlo, Naples; at the La Scala, in Milan; in Paris, Berlin, and London. Italian audiences, especially of the top gallery, are supposed to possess finer ears than other people. More musical Potterism. They applaud in Italy, as they applaud in New York or London, the singers with the stentorian or extremely high voices; whether they sing in tune or not, whether they rhythmically distort the musical phrase or not, matters little to these fanatics for noise. And invariably they drown the orchestra if the singer happens to end a few bars before it. That the composition should be allowed to terminate logically does not enter into their unmusical comprehension. To bruise their muscular palms and shout is their idea of sensibility. We do not refer now to the official *claque*, if there be one at the opera, but to the diabolical hand-clapping and hurraing which is becoming a formidable menace to the enjoyment of the musical portion of the audience. No applause is tolerated during 'Parsifal' until act-ends, no applause is tolerated at 'Tristan and Isolde' until the curtain falls, and what a relief it is not to be forced to endure the belching enthusiasm and vulgar fist-thumping in the middle of a musical phrase! Why, then, are not Italian and French operas given the same chance? We are, indeed, barbarians in this cult of noise. We can't even escape noise within our opera-house. It would be a wise regulation if applause could be confined within legitimate limits—at the end of each act. It might not please some singers, who are so avid of applause that they actually hire it by the yard, but it would be a boon to the occupants of the stalls and boxes at the Metropolitan. *Hasta la vista!"*

Mr. Huneker finds in the growing hero-worship of conductors another annoying Potterism—

"We remember Theodore Thomas in his palmy days; remember that smoothly fitting dress-coat of his. Yes, there were many women who attended the Philharmonic Society concerts to gaze ecstatically upon the shapely back and harmonious movements of this handsome conductor. Another prima donna conductor was Arthur Nikisch, of the Boston band. He waved lily-white hands; his weaving motions fascinated the eye. They seemed in their rhythmic variety the externalization of the music he was interpreting, and, according to Delsarte and Daleroze, they were. But both Thomas and Nikisch were great conductors—Nikisch still is; indeed, he is the dean of great conductors. His personal mannerisms were and are taken as a matter of course. We do not include Artur Bodanzky among the prima-donna baton heroes. Nevertheless, he is a hero, and a hero always in a hurry. He is the most precise and business-like of our conductors. He seems as if he were making a train to El Dorado. Yet it is only a fancy. He is absolutely master of his technical and intellectual resources. The enormous dynamic energy of the man, his driving power, are concentrated at the tip of his stick. If the Boston Symphony Orchestra boasts a demon drummer, the National Symphony Orchestra can boast a demon conductor. Bodanzky is demoniacal when he cuts loose. At the second 'Tristan' performance he galloped his men at such a pace that the singers could only pant after them. A great conductor is Artur with the Weber profile and the propulsive right hand. If he had a calm left hand like Thomas or Nikisch his readings would benefit thereby. But how stimulating is his conducting! You swing along on the crest of exaltation and forget the composer's intentions in the tumultuous symphonic sea. A brilliant apparition, a stork of genius, but with brains, always brains. The dark horse of American conductors is Ossip Gabrilowitsch. That young man will bear watching."

His antipodes is declared to be Walter Damrosch, who is as familiar a spectacle nowadays as Trinity Church—

"Walter leaves nothing to chance. He doesn't believe in the *imprévu*; with him the unexpected never happens. There is a sense of security at his Symphony Society, the sort of security that appeals to you when sitting under a long-beloved preacher. Since 1881, on and off, we have sat metaphorically at the feet of Walter Damrosch, and not once has he startled, not once has he altogether disappointed us. He is safe, sane, and—sometimes—soporific. But he never uses rouge or pencils the eyebrows of his interpretations; perfume is to him abhorrent. Good old Walter! His has been a long race, and his a sober



victory. Leopold Stokowski is a pocket-edition of Nikisch, a Nikisch without genius. He is the ideal prima-donna conductor and exudes sweetness and light (Einstein says that light exudes), and as regards the technique of the baton he has all his contemporaries beaten to a frazzle—save one, Arturo Toscanini. Such economy of gesture, such weighty significance in every motion are praiseworthy. His musicianship is excellent, his memory remarkable, altho commanding intellectuality is absent. He, too, has a sinuous line in his back that enchants his feminine audience. He is graceful and inevitably makes his entrance carrying his baton as if it were a baby. The Philadelphia Orchestra is largely composed of mediocre material, but thanks to the admirable disciplinarian, that is, Stokowski, it sounds at times as if of prime quality. And tonal quality is precisely what it lacks. Its conductor hypnotizes his audience into thinking it is so. Ah, these Poles! The oriental mango magic trick over again. Stokowski is young, blond, and has a Chopinesque head, but in profile his chin is as diffident as a poached egg. Pierre Monteux, like a happy nation, has no personal history. He is an accomplished chef. We enjoy his cuisine. There is a savory touch of the Midi in his musical ragouts. And to my horror I find myself indulging in the most reprehensible musical Potterism."

### A WINTER'S READING

**A** LIST WITH MODEST CLAIMS will perhaps be all the more likely to find acceptance. Such a list coming from the New York Public Library is simply named "Thirty-Six Books." Lubbock's list of a "hundred best" has long been a battle-field. The "best" have proved too good for the majority, so they are left unread, and honors are paid to them in sepulchral editions that claim the dust of high shelves. The New York Times passes on the new list with the explanation that it is "not a list of classics and does not pretend to include all the great masterpieces of literature." Such books as the Bible and Shakespeare are excluded because "everybody is supposed to know about them." The New York Library list was compiled at the request of a news syndicate which asked for the names of "thirty-six good books which a man or a woman might read as a winter program of self-development." People to whom the last new publications are inaccessible may welcome this:

"Kim," by Kipling.  
 "The Return of the Native," by Hardy.  
 "The Call of the Wild," by London.  
 "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," by Mark Twain.  
 "Tono-Bungay," by Wells.  
 "The House of Seven Gables," by Hawthorne.  
 "The Rise of Silas Lapham," by Howells.  
 "Tales," by Poe.  
 "The Cloister and the Hearth," by Reade.  
 "Island Nights' Entertainments," by Stevenson.  
 "Vanity Fair," by Thackeray.  
 "A Tale of Two Cities," by Dickens.  
 "Leaves of Grass," by Whitman.  
 "The Golden Treasury of Songs and Lyrics," compiled by Palgrave.  
 "Verse," inclusive edition, 1885-1918, by Kipling.  
 "The New Poetry," an anthology, by Monroe and Henderson.  
 "Discovery of America," by Fiske. Two volumes.  
 "France and England in North America," by Parkman. Eight volumes.

"History of the United States from the Compromise of 1850," by Rhodes. Eight volumes.

"The American Commonwealth," by Bryce.

"Life and Letters of Lord Macaulay," by Trevelyan. Two volumes.

"Life of Benjamin Franklin," by himself.

"Life of Johnson," by Boswell.

"Life of Benvenuto Cellini," by himself, translated by Symonds.

"Mark Twain," a biography, by Paine, three volumes.

"Letters to His Children," by Roosevelt.

"Walden; or, Life in the Woods," by Thoreau.

"The Book of a Naturalist," by W. H. Hudson.



HELLEU AT HIS SUBTLEST.

"Beneath the light-sure strokes of every portrait . . . lies a searching and painstaking analysis of the personality of his sitter."

"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," by Carroll.  
 "Dissertations by Mr. Dooley," by Dunne.  
 "Rudder Grange," by Stockton.  
 "The Wind in the Willows," by Grahame.  
 "Interpretations of Literature," by Hearn. Two volumes.  
 "Essays," by Emerson.  
 "Essays of Elia," by Lamb.  
 "Three Plays for Puritans," by Shaw.

These are not the thirty-six "best," but the number merely asked for by the syndicate. The word "best" is disposed of summarily. "Nobody can say which are the thirty-six 'best' or the hundred 'best' books. It depends on the purpose of the books—'best' for what?" The present list is confessedly "heavily weighted" on certain sides:

"American history, for instance, is the only history dealt with. And in no way can it be called a list of classics. But each, it is emphasized, is a good representative of its class."

# RELIGION-AND-SOCIAL-SERVICE

## THE ROCKEFELLER "STEWARDSHIP"

**T**IME WAS when the Rockefeller millions were scorned and scored from the pulpit, but now, it seems, they are thankfully accepted for the promotion of religion and charity in all parts of the world; criticism for the multimillionaire's business methods has largely given way to commendation for what is described as his adherence to the Biblical doctrine of stewardship. So while from a few the old cry of "tainted money" greets the announcement of the gift of \$63,763,357.37 to the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial, majority opinion, as reflected in the daily press, thinks that his huge benefactions merit for the oil king a grateful remembrance. The new fund is in memory of Mrs. Rockefeller, who contributed to many philanthropies during her life, and is entirely separate from Mr. Rockefeller's other investments in charity. It is to be devoted to institutions which are chiefly, or largely, for the benefit of women and children, and begins a task which social workers declare to have been largely neglected. Mr. Rockefeller's donations now total, it is estimated, nearly \$475,000,000, or \$125,000,000 more than Andrew Carnegie gave away in trying to make himself a poor man before he died. All the gifts are in perpetual trust for the various objects to which they are assigned, so that, as the Indianapolis *Star* puts it, "whatever else may be said of Mr. Rockefeller, he has at least shown the world a highway to charity," and "men of smaller means may follow the example he has set according to their ability." Usually the accumulation of large fortunes has been considered the curse of modern society, notes the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, and the votaries of Socialism have long inveighed against their possessors as being "enemies of civilization." But "Mr. Rockefeller has proved for all time that a great fortune can become, instead of a curse, a source of great good for humanity. It was a hard task to spend half a billion dollars, but it has been well done, and its effects will be lasting." It is not necessary to indorse all the methods by which the Rockefeller fortune was accumulated, nor the social system which made it possible, thinks the New York *Evening World*; "but it is undeniable that, having acquired the fortune, the Rockefellers, father and son, have developed to an unusual degree the sense of stewardship in the use of the fortune." Moreover, "so long as the capitalistic system exists, it is well that the most striking example of the great capitalist should set so worthy an example for his fellows." In the opinion of the Syracuse *Post-Standard* Mr. Rockefeller is, in the amount of money given for public uses, "the greatest benefactor the world has ever had." Most of his fortune he has given "to relieve poverty, to promote the cause of the Christian religion, to help educational institutions, to maintain medical research. As he was shrewd in the collection of his fortune, so he is wise in its dis-

tribution. His millions will continue for generations and centuries to come to bear fruit in good works."

One may reserve opinion as to the methods of Standard Oil, and even the business record of its founder, "and still render fair tribute to his philanthropy," believes the Norfolk *Virginian-Pilot*. As this paper sees it:



LAURA SPELMAN ROCKEFELLER,  
In whose name women and children will be helped by the oil king's millions through all the coming years.

"These acts of philanthropy are Rockefeller's way of fulfilling the trust that goes with the possession of wealth. He may not reason it out that way, and others may be unwilling to concede it, but it reduces to this in final analysis. Mr. Rockefeller may regard his gifts simply as free-will offerings, and less charitable persons may list them as bribes to glory, but the fact remains that the world is the final beneficiary. Whether the Rockefeller gifts are counted merely as payment on an account that is owed or as charity, they none the less stand for fulfilment of the trust that is ineradicably marked on wealth—to use it for the direct or indirect benefit of mankind."

In remarking the careful provision which Mr. Rockefeller has made for the charities he founded, the Pittsburgh *Gazette Times* thinks his system is "so different" that it is "convinced not only that the oil king's stupendous accumulation is a good thing, but that it was ordained for the very service to which it is being devoted. At any rate, no balanced mind can complain against a fortune—even a billion—that is so much a public asset." And the disposition of this money increment, says the New York *World*, "is certainly as wise and useful as anything that the tax-devouring politicians have ever had to offer. The stewardship of vast wealth is not necessarily a governmental function. Mr. Rockefeller has shown again and again that it may be made a matter of personal conscience and example."

Turning now to Mr. Rockefeller's critics, it is "not comforting" to the *Deseret News* (Salt Lake City) "to know that any one individual can accumulate such enormous wealth, with the influence and power that it naturally implies." Looking at the huge donation from another view-point, the Newark *News* feels that "the latest gift seems to contemplate the existence of a largely dependent, if not pauper, class for all time." However this may be, the Pasadena *Star-News* is of the opinion that "conditions should not be such in this country that fortunes so vast could be amassed," and the Wichita *Eagle* complains bitterly that Mr. Rockefeller "acquired his fortune ruthlessly," that "the story of his rise is a story of brutal crushing of those below." Still, "it is well that the old billionaire has been so liberal in his organized giving. He has tried to cover up his selfish deeds with great gifts to education and humanitarian projects. He has done well." So "thanks, Mr. Rockefeller, for your big benefactions, but don't forget that we have some ideas as to the why and wherefores."



From the collection of Dr. Mary W. Griscom, by courtesy of "Asia."

"And took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living."



"And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat."



"Bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat and be merry."

CHINESE PICTORIAL VERSION OF THE "PRODIGAL-SON" STORY.

## BIBLE STORIES TOLD IN CHINESE ART

AS CHRISTIANITY SPREAD from Syria into Europe and Africa and Asia, hearers of the Bible stories in these far lands naturally thought of them in terms of their own landscapes and flora and fauna. Perhaps the first American Indians who heard of Christianity pictured to themselves a band of twelve red-skinned disciples winding along forest trails or sheltered in teepees. So in China, Chinese converts have imagined Biblical heroes in Chinese garb, surrounded by Chinese scenes. The Chinese vision of the Bible has been put on canvas by a Chinese painter, some of whose work is here reproduced. As a writer in *Asia* tells the story, there was an artist in North Fukien province who made a living by painting pictures on silk. One evening he stole out to where "a tiny white church of a foreign God beyond the tea-shop was brilliantly lighted." Drawn in by snatches of narrative that interested him, the artist entered and "sank unobtrusively into an empty seat." Then, "for the first time he heard some of the beautiful old stories of the Bible, which have held the people of the West enthralled for two thousand years." And so the artist went back home to make "pictures of the story of Noah and the Flood, and of the parables of the Lost Sheep, and of many others that were in the Book of the Western missionary."

But, we read further in *Asia*, this artist of Fukien "had never heard of Palestine." To him "Noah was Chinese and the Lost Sheep belonged to a farmer of his province and the Prodigal Son might well have been a dissolute youth of his own village." Therefore, as the writer in *Asia* describes the paintings, "the landscape that forms the background for the pictures of the Flood is typical of the country along the upper stretches of the Min River in North Fukien." Noah's Ark is "very much like the house-boats that are seen on the Min River unto this day." And the animals, entering two by two, are those familiar to this part of China: "the sacred phenix soaring above them all; tigers and lions, very typical of the stone images that guard the entrance to Chinese temples; buffalo cows, and, of course, pigs; and bringing up the rear are the deer, held in high esteem in China because they came out of their cave to show one of

the wise men the plant of everlasting life." We are reminded that the Flood is very real and terrible to the Chinese artist, "for every year the overflowing rivers claim countless victims. It is not difficult for him to image the torrents tearing down the mountain slopes, the houses uprooted from their foundations, and the terrified inhabitants scrambling for safety to the high places."

Similarly, since there are no sheep in South China, "the little Lost Sheep of the parable becomes a goat," and the goatherd wears the dress of a Fukien coolie. Also, the Prodigal Son of the parable wears a pigtail and smokes opium. Three of the four Prodigal-Son pictures are here reproduced, and we quote as follows the description of the whole series as given in *Asia*:

"The Prodigal Son has asked for his inheritance. He can no longer endure the dull routine of the little provincial town in which he had been born; he wants to try his wings in the great city within whose walls are gilded tea-houses and singing girls. The father and his two sons have come together in the great reception-room. The walls are hung with paintings on silk by famous artists of long ago and with panels decorated with the *Lanwha*, or orchid, which is the plant of everlasting life. The Prodigal Son is wearing his red ceremonial coat, for this is a great occasion for him, and he toys with his fan to conceal his agitation. Behind the father stands the elder son, looking scornfully at his idle brother. In boxes and trays the servants are carrying in the inheritance. This is in the form of shoes of silver, each one of which is supposed to weigh fifty-two taels. The Prodigal Son is haughtily superintending the weighing of the shoes. The father strokes his beard doubtfully, but he is a philosopher, and feels that youth must not be held to the shrines of the ancestors against its will.

"The shoes of silver are fast disappearing in riotous living. The Prodigal Son is seated behind the red silken curtains on the wide bed of a gambling den. There is no doubt of this, for an inscription in Chinese above the curtain explains the iniquitous purpose of the establishment. The crafty proprietor himself is rolling the balls of opium for the pipe of the Prodigal Son, who is being received with princely welcome in the silken halls of vice as long as his inheritance lasts. The servant at the door is bringing bowls of lotus-seeds—a most epicurean dish, worthy to set before kings. At the table in the center of the room four men are much absorbed in *fantan*, a favorite gambling game among the Chinese, who are fond of many curious games of chance. At the little table are bowls of tea and hot water



which they will enjoy in a brief moment of relaxation, for they will play through the night. And the Prodigal Son will soon curl up on the luxurious bed and, soothed into a narcotic slumber, he will dream the soul-destroying dreams of the opium-smoker.

"The Prodigal Son has fallen upon evil days and his opium dreams are over. In pitiful rags that do not even half cover his body he sits shivering on the trunk of a camphor-tree amid the swine and recalls that other day when, drest in rich red satin, he sat in state in a teakwood chair and demanded every shoe of his inheritance. In that snug little cluster of white houses with the sloping, tiled roofs, there is not a bowl of rice for a foolish youth who has wasted his goodly inheritance. The pigs are still sleek and well fed, but the pigs are more useful than the Prodigal Son. Pigs, which constitute the principal live stock and property of the farmer, are as characteristic of the rural landscape in Fukien as are the waterfalls. There is always a hole cut at the side of the door, even of the better houses, for the pigs' private entrances. One by one the pigs will have to be sacrificed to keep the famine from creeping into the village. No wonder the Prodigal Son in his deepest dejection thinks of his father's substantial household, where there are many servants and rice for all.

"The Prodigal Son has returned. As the first official act of welcome, his hair is combed and then his cap and ceremonial red coat are given back to him. It is an important day in the household. The Prodigal Son has returned to the shrines of his ancestors and to his filial duties. Did not Confucius say, 'Filial duty is the constant doctrine of Heaven, the natural righteousness of earth, and the practical duty of man?' To celebrate the return of his son, the father has prepared a great feast. The musicians have come with drums and flutes. The servant is carrying the *pièce de résistance*, the fatted calf, which is a chicken, the honorable dish for honored guests in this province. The table groans with pyramids of steamed bread, water-melon-seeds, cubes of bean paste, and other delicacies. The father, who is the head of the household, is also the most conspicuous figure in the picture, in accordance with Chinese ideas of etiquette, if not with Western ideas of perspective. 'Let us eat and be merry' is a command willingly complied with by the Chinese, celebrated for their feasts."

### MRS. ASQUITH ON CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

MARGOT ASQUITH WAS IMPREST, she confesses in her volume of personal reminiscences, with the religious character of Arthur J. Balfour, and she wonders how many men and women of this generation had religious mothers. Mrs. Asquith knew the great statesman from girlhood. The *New York Christian Advocate* (Methodist) quotes from her book this note upon Balfour's character, with her striking comment:

"What interested me most and what I liked best in Arthur Balfour was not his charm or his wits—and not his politics—but his writing and his religion. Any one who has read his books with a searching mind will perceive that his faith in God is what has really moved him in life. . . . His mother, Lady Blanche Balfour, was a sister of the late Lord Salisbury and a woman of influence. . . . I should be curious to know, if it were possible, how many men and women of mark in this generation have had religious mothers. I think much fewer than in mine. My husband's mother, Mr. McKenna's, and Lord Haldane's were all profoundly religious."

All of us would be curious to know how many of this generation have had religious mothers, comments *The Advocate*; but it adds that "we are more concerned to inquire how there can be strong and good men and women in the next generation if motherhood should lose its faith in those spiritual realities which make for greatness of character." It would be calamitous "if in gaining this whole world of opportunity they lose their own soul-culture, which alone can make great mothers of men."

"Mrs. Asquith thinks that her own generation affords fewer examples of this highest type of motherhood than did its immediate predecessor. Her observation is restricted to the higher circles of British society, which, even in a constitutional kingdom, still furnish most of the political leaders. In this country, where 'family' still counts for little, and 'new men' are constantly breaking through and making their way to the front, one can not speak with confidence. What is certain, however,

is that there is no surer basis for the nurture of substantial qualities of character than the Christian home, and no influence so effective upon plastic boyhood as that of a good mother, not merely passively pious, but living with full vigor the life of the spirit. Whether the woman be Lady Blanche Balfour or Nancy Hanks, it is religion that fits her to train her boy to meet the highest responsibilities that he may inherit or that may come to him by the free votes of his peers."

### A PERNICIOUS INDIAN "RELIGION"

BY MAKING DRUG-TAKING a religious rite some of the Indians in the Southwestern States believe they have found a new road to heaven, and certainly, as it appears from reports, have succeeded in finding a short route from this "vale of tears." The drug used in the new cult is peyote, the dried flower of the mescal, a kind of cactus, and was introduced from Mexico, where it has long been known. Its considerable use in the United States does not date back more than half a century, we are told, and its introduction was so gradual that its danger was not realized until about twenty-five years ago. At first no claims were made for it except as a medicine, writes Rev. Bruce Kinney, D.D., in *The Christian Herald*, but now, under the promotion of shrewd medicine men, who saw in it another opportunity for leadership and money, its use has become a religious cult, and this notwithstanding that "some of the most famous physicians, chemists, and manufacturing pharmacists in this country and Europe have conducted extensive experiments and have unanimously pronounced its results evil and only evil." It produces all sorts of alluring hallucinations of sounds, appearances, and colors, and is a most powerful narcotic, with all the inherent dangers that are known to the use of narcotics, and none of the values. However, under the guise of being a necessary religious rite, its use, we are told, has now become a commercialized vice of alarming proportions. The ceremonies accompanying the use of the peyote vary greatly, and in some cases include a very elaborate heathen ritual veneered with an imitation of Christianity:

"The formal ceremony usually begins on Saturday night and there is great feasting in connection with it—and what Indian can resist a feast! The ceremonies follow the feast and include the partaking of peyote. Sleep follows and the participants are in a stupor most of or all of Sunday, in proportion to the amount of the stuff that they have taken and the resistance their systems offer to its effects. In extreme cases it is days or weeks before the victims entirely recover their normal condition of body and mind.

"Some of the priests are 'returned students,' and in Christian communities they claim that the Indian's religious road differs from that of the white man and that peyote is the Indian road; that peyote is the Indian's way of knowing God and seeing Christ; that peyote is the Indian way of observing communion and learning God's will for him.

"At some of these services prayers are offered to God and Christ, testimonies and exhortations are given, and the Bible is read and occupies a prominent place on the altar.

"Frequent attempts have been made to secure the passage of laws by Congress which would prohibit the importation and sale of this dangerous drug. Every time this attempt has been made the Indians with their hired white attorneys have hurried to Washington to protest; and up to date their protests have been influential and all unfavorable legislation has been defeated."

The practise of eating peyote seems to have spread in fan-shaped lines north and east until it is now found to some extent in Montana and the Dakotas. So, says Dr. Kinney,

"It is high time that our people became aroused and passed laws to prevent the spread of this habit. Such laws are needed not alone to preserve the physical, mental, and moral integrity of the Indians, but that of our own people also. An insidious and dangerous drug like this knows no racial barrier. In these days when whisky is becoming harder to get, more expensive, and more dangerous, young white men of the 'baser sort' are beginning to take this 'dry whisky' and if something can not be done soon we will have a gigantic problem on our hands to keep our young men from being debauched."



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# CURRENT - POETRY

THE strong appeal of Europe's suffering children is meeting response other than those in terms of cash. Overflowing hearts have sent us also the expression of their feelings in verse. The wide-spread interest shown by our readers in The Literary Digest Child-Feeding Fund is sufficient to warrant our devoting the poetry page this week to a few of these. One that will be appreciated by every parent is from a reader whose verses were first sent to *The Arkansas Gazette*:

## TWO LITTLE BOYS

BY WALTER WESTLEY

### *Little America*

Gladly I saw him  
Running along,  
Eyes full of laughter,  
Singing a song.

Cheeks red as roses,  
Heart full of joy,  
Lips like ripe cherries,  
Dear little boy.

Clad, oh, so cozily,  
Cap on his head,  
Warm little overcoat,  
Nothing to dread.

Pausing to greet me,  
Dear little man,  
Eagerly calling,  
Ere on he ran:

"It is lots colder;  
Don't you think so?  
Oh, how I hope it is  
Going to snow."

### *Poland—A Dream*

Sadly I saw him  
Running along,  
Eyes full of misery,  
Singing no song.

Cheeks gray as ashes,  
Heart without joy,  
Lips drawn in agony,  
Dear little boy.

Clad, oh, so scantily,  
Bare little head,  
Hunger and nakedness,  
Terror and dread.

Pausing to greet me,  
Dear little man,  
Wearily whispering,  
Ere on he ran:

"It is lots colder;  
Don't you think so?  
Oh, God! I fear it is  
Going to snow."

This one from the *Hartford Times* was written, as Mr. Harper tells us, before the campaign for the Feeding Fund was begun. The picture it brings before us is only a variant of those that inspired the relief efforts:

## A SYRIAN MOTHER

By J. W. HARPER

She sits amid the glaring sands  
Upon the desert, bleak and wide,  
A little bag of herbs and roots  
Is lying at her side.

A trail of white runs, gleaming, far  
Across the desert's yellow rust,  
Where famish'd infants' bleaching bones  
Lie trampled into dust.

High soaring o'er the barren plain,  
With beady eyes and circling wings  
A vulture notes the silent forms  
Of fallen, wasted things.

Across her knees a little child,  
Which still her ragged shawl enfolds,  
And dead within her shrivel'd arms  
A skeleton she holds.

She does not moan, she does not weep,  
Dumb are her lips in mute despair,  
But, oh, her dark and mournful eyes  
That only stare and stare!

That gleam above her hollow'd cheeks,  
I wonder what they seem to see!  
Alight with fever's kindling fires,  
That gaze so fixedly.

Here, far away, I look without  
Upon a world so wondrous fair,  
Where death and famine do not stall  
And food is everywhere.

But every time I take some bread  
A haunting, famish'd face I see,  
With eyes that stare across the dead  
And seem to look at me.

The following is one possessing metrical excellences as well as eloquent feeling:

## "FEED MY LAMBS"

By MARTHA COLEMAN SHERMAN

Over the restless ocean, with Christmas  
drawing nigh,  
Hungry and freezing and dying,  
millions of children cry!  
Turning their eyes, all famished,  
over the moaning sea;  
Begging for food and for shelter, begging  
of you and me.

We in our land of plenty, singing  
our Freedom's song,  
Holding our children at twilight  
nourished and well and strong,  
Watching their beautiful faces warm  
in the firelight's glow,  
What do we dream of the anguish  
millions of children know?

Martyrs of war and hatred, orphaned  
and weak and shy,  
Stunted and homeless and frightened  
under a Christmas sky,  
Stretching their arms all shrunken  
over the hungry sea,  
Millions of little children are  
praying to you and me.

History pales before it. All through  
the countless years  
Nothing compares with the monstrous  
wrong of these children's tears.  
Nothing compares with the terror  
each of these children know—  
Little and tender and helpless,  
ravished by pain and woe!

Give, O ye happy people! Ye  
who have loving care,  
Clothing and food and shelter,  
riches beyond your share,  
Give to these pitiful children all  
that they need and more,  
Ye who are sheltered and happy,  
give of your ample store.

The writer of the following has a child dying of an incurable disease, not to be alleviated by tender care, love, or science. But this child has soft pillows, food, and peace, besides a roof to cover. "Is there any mother or father of an incurably sick child anywhere who will not help some other child to live?" So asks the writer of the following:

## THE CHILDREN

They come, these wraiths of children,  
To you, who have aims to give,  
With pain-racked, wasted bodies,  
To plead for the right to live.

With faces pinched with famine,  
That never knew childish joys,  
And gaunt arms raised in supplication,  
World-old little girls and boys.

There are perils in their night-time,  
There are terrors in their day,  
And death creeps ever nearer  
Along that cruel way.

They are cold and naked, they hunger,  
They drink deep of misery's lees,  
Oh, heed the voice of the Master,  
"My little ones—give unto these."

FINALLY, we quote this from the *New York Times*:

## "UNTO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE"

By ALICE PACKARD PALMER

What would you do if now upon your breast  
Should rest  
A little bony, gaunt, but precious form,  
Still warm  
With blood of yours?

What would you do if now upon your cheek  
Were prest pale, mumbling lips that could not  
speak,  
Tho fiber joined with fiber in a shriek  
For food?  
Could such necessitude  
Unheeded be?

What would you do if now upon your ear  
Fell plaintive moanings, groanings—could you  
hear  
Your starving child in anguish, prone  
Upon the barren ground—to find—a stone?

If you had gone before,  
No more  
To guard life of your life, no more enfold  
The thing, God-given, you had learned to hold  
Most dear,  
What would you do  
If, from behind the veil, you could peer through?

What *will* you do, when now, upon your heart,  
Is lain the burden of a million cries?  
Ere dies within us the ennobling spark,  
We hear a voice, a still, small voice—then—Hark!  
From height, from depth, the Master's magic plea  
Reverberates: "Ye've done it unto Me."



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# WORLD-WIDE-TRADE-FACTS

## NEW ORLEANS AND THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

WEALTH, PRODUCTION AND CAPACITY OF THE GREAT BASIN  
(New Orleans Association of Commerce)

### WHAT NEW ORLEANS HAS DONE

IN ORDER THAT IT MAY FUNCTION as the Valley's port of easiest access, New Orleans, at public expense, has constructed a system of efficient warehouses and docks, and a belt railroad, which serve all ships, railroads, boats, industries, and commerce alike; has mosquito- and rat-proofed the city as a safeguard against yellow fever and bubonic plague; has installed a modern sewerage, drainage, and pure-water supply system; has exempted money on deposit, mortgage loans, and steamships from taxation, and is building a first level industrial canal and inner harbor for deep-draft vessels.

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### THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

#### LAND

	UNITED STATES Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Percentages
Area.....	3,026,789 sq. m.	1,940,090 sq. m.	64.0%
In crops, 1909.....	311,293,382 acres	248,508,857 acres	79.8%
In crops, 1919.....	368,809,000 "	294,279,000 "	79.7%
Public lands in 1919.....	212,901,622 "	59,479,423 "	27.9%
Irrigation projects in 1919.....	3,212,092 "	1,802,482 "	56.1%

#### FOREST PRODUCTION

Lumber.....	31,890,494,000 feet	16,875,432,000 feet	52.9%
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#### MINERAL PRODUCTION

Coal.....	585,883,000 tons	561,332,000 tons	95.8%
Coke.....	56,478,185 "	52,315,593 "	92.6%
Copper.....	1,908,533,595 pounds	677,840,259 pounds	35.5%
Gas.....	795,110,376,000 cu. ft.	529,956,699,000 cu. ft.	65.5%
Gasoline.....	429,287,797,000 "	334,449,494,000 "	77.9%
Gold.....	3,313,373 ounces	1,134,674 ounces	34.2%
Silver.....	67,879,206 "	24,540,643 "	36.1%
Pig iron.....	38,230,440 tons	35,071,709 tons	91.7%
Iron ore.....	72,021,202 "	69,913,611 "	97.0%
Lime.....	3,206,016 "	1,517,427 "	47.3%
Potash.....	207,686 "	182,990 "	64.0%
Salt.....	7,238,744 "	4,808,083 "	66.4%
Gypsum.....	2,037,015 "	1,194,582 "	58.0%
Pottery, etc.....	\$221,884,651	\$128,455,990	57.8%
Petroleum.....	355,927,716 bbls.	250,171,101 bbls.	70.8%
Coal supply in 1913.....	543,172,900,000 tons	512,108,100,000 tons	94.2%

#### FINANCES

Wealth, 1900.....	\$88,517,306,775	\$44,423,934,934	50.1%
Wealth, 1912.....	187,739,071,090	101,562,676,772	54.0%
Net income, personal and corporate, for 1917.....			37.32%
Income tax, personal, corporate, and partnership, for 1917.....			37.44%
Farm property, 1900.....	20,439,901,164	14,886,548,204	72.8%
Farm property, 1910.....	40,991,449,090	31,299,233,720	76.3%
Internal revenue collections, 1912.....	321,615,895	189,467,689	58.9%
Internal revenue collections, 1919.....	3,839,950,612	1,485,700,397	38.6%
State debt, per capita.....	7.08	4.43	

#### EDUCATION

Total population, 1917..	103,635,306	56,354,570	54.3%
Children, 5 to 18.....	27,686,476	15,713,749	56.7%
School enrolment.....	20,853,516	12,041,811	57.7%
School attendance.....	15,548,914	8,940,611	57.4%
Expended on public schools.....	\$763,678,089	\$417,691,607	54.6%
Number of public high schools.....	13,951	9,159	65.6%
Number of private high schools and academies.....	2,058	963	46.7%
Number of public normal schools.....	251	144	57.3%
Universities, colleges, and schools of technology.....	574	329	57.3%
Collegiate male students.....	152,860	74,003	48.4%
Collegiate female students.....	90,181	52,951	58.7%
Number of commercial schools.....	890	477	53.5%
Commercial students....	289,579	143,726	49.6%

### TRANSPORTATION

Railroad mileage per 100 square miles in 1917.....	UNITED STATES 8.53 miles	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY 10.91 miles
Percentage of highways surfaced in 1910.....	12.0%	10.6%

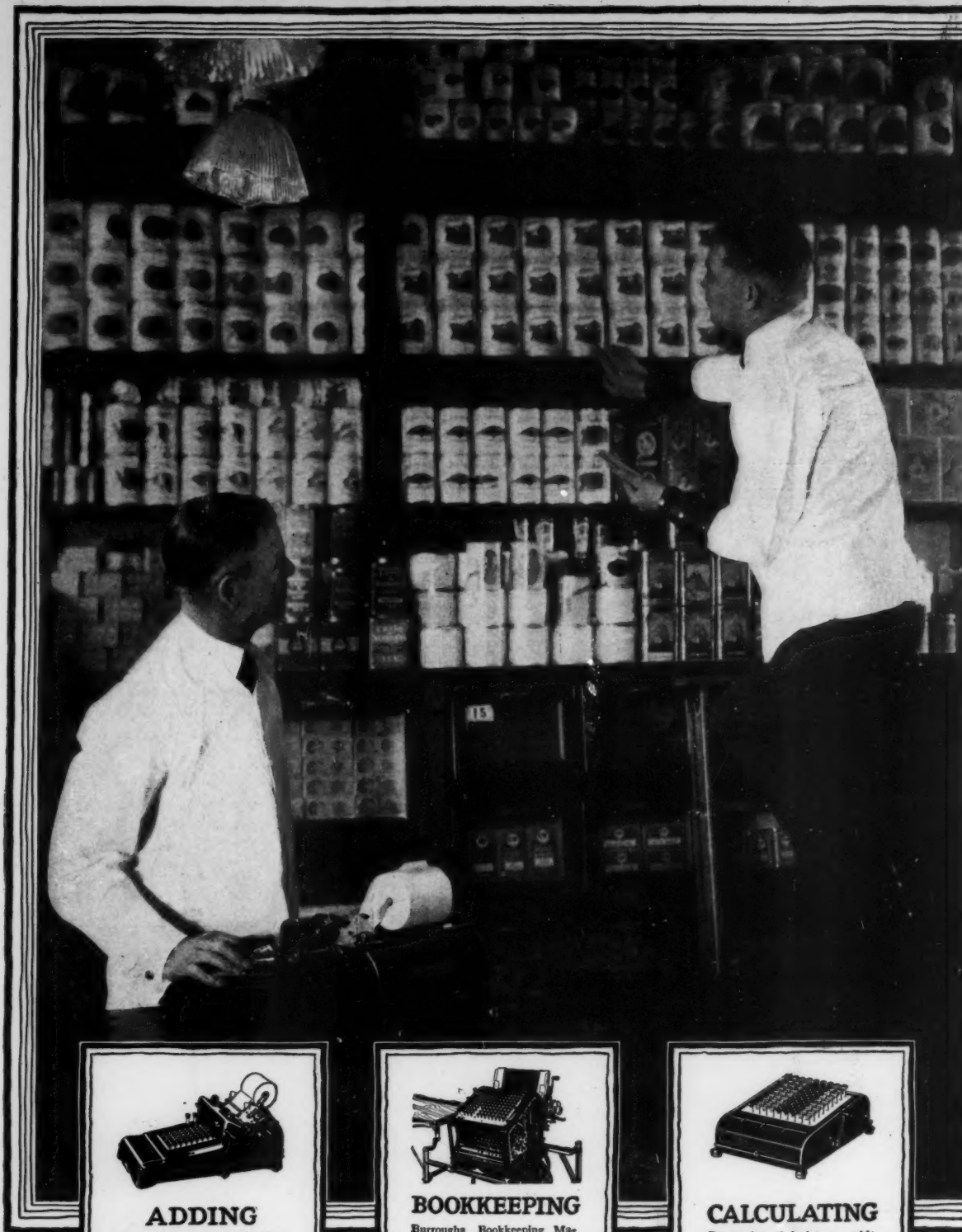
### AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	UNITED STATES Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Percentages
Corn.....	2,917,450,000 bushels	2,536,950,000 bushels	86.9%
Wheat.....	940,789,000 "	760,629,000 "	80.8%
Oats.....	1,248,310,000 "	1,093,495,000 "	87.5%
Barley.....	166,719,000 "	120,927,000 "	71.9%
Rye.....	88,478,000 "	77,619,000 "	87.7%
Buckwheat.....	16,301,000 "	3,504,000 "	21.4%
Flaxseed.....	8,919,000 "	8,919,000 "	100.0%
Rice.....	41,059,000 "	33,049,000 "	80.4%
Potatoes.....	357,901,000 "	189,002,000 "	52.8%
Sweet potatoes.....	103,570,000 "	62,567,000 "	60.4%
Hay.....	91,326,000 tons	59,292,000 tons	64.9%
Wild hay.....	17,340,000 "	16,193,000 "	93.3%
Clover-seed.....	1,099,000 bushels	962,000 bushels	87.5%
Cotton.....	11,030,000 bales	6,796,000 bales	61.6%
Cottonseed.....	1,929,000 tons	3,025,000 tons	61.3%
Tobacco.....	1,389,458,000 pounds	719,110,000 pounds	51.7%
Apples.....	147,457,000 bushels	49,796,000 bushels	33.7%
Peaches.....	50,434,000 "	15,292,000 "	30.3%
Pears.....	13,902,000 "	3,232,000 "	23.2%
Beans, dry.....	11,488,000 "	5,438,000 "	47.3%
Soy-beans.....	2,402,000 "	494,000 "	20.5%
Cowpeas.....	10,426,000 "	5,442,000 "	52.1%
Broom corn.....	53,100 tons	53,100 tons	100.0%
Grain sorghum.....	126,058,000 bushels	119,642,000 bushels	94.9%
Peanuts.....	33,263,000 "	17,590,000 "	52.8%
Cane-sugar.....	116,715 tons	115,590 tons	99.0%
Beet-sugar.....	763,848 "	485,713 "	63.7%
Sugar cane.....	481,000 acres	405,700 acres	84.3%
Cane-sirup.....	38,385,000 gallons	26,376,000 gallons	68.7%
Maple-sugar.....	10,425,959 pounds	809,750 pounds	7.7%
Maple-sirup.....	3,885,108 gallons	1,417,630 gallons	36.4%
Sorghum-sirup.....	33,312,000 "	26,462,000 "	61.6%
Wool.....	265,460,000 pounds	163,556,000 pounds	61.6%
Wool.....	22,435,000 fleeces	22,435,000 fleeces	100.0%
Live stock.....	\$8,566,000,000	\$6,415,000,000	74.8%
All crops.....	\$15,796,573,000	\$11,002,487,000	69.6%
All crops.....	368,809,000 acres	294,279,000 acres	79.7%

### MANUFACTURES

	UNITED STATES Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Totals	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Percentages
Agricultural implements.....	\$164,087,000	\$134,597,000	82.0%
Artificial stone products.....	21,934,000	15,193,000	69.2%
Automobile bodies and parts.....	129,601,000	96,006,000	74.0%
Automobiles.....	503,230,000	450,992,000	89.6%
Awnings, tents, and sails.....	18,138,000	9,235,000	50.9%
Boots and shoes.....	501,760,000	124,305,000	24.7%
Brick, tile, terra-cotta, etc.....	135,921,000	78,367,000	57.6%
Butter.....	243,379,000	177,759,000	73.0%
Carriage and wagon materials.....	24,850,000	17,236,000	69.3%
Carrriages, wagons, and repairs.....	106,697,000	72,239,000	67.7%
Cheese.....	51,745,000	32,741,009	63.2%
Chemicals.....	158,054,000	41,752,000	26.4%
Men's clothing.....	458,211,000	163,701,000	35.7%
Women's clothing.....	473,888,000	57,538,000	12.1%
Coffee and spices, roasting, etc.....	150,749,000	77,958,000	51.7%
Confectionery.....	170,845,000	72,196,000	42.2%
Copper, tin, and sheet iron.....	94,891,000	49,367,000	52.0%
Cotton goods.....	676,569,000	42,590,000	6.2%
Electrical machinery, etc.....	335,170,000	107,811,000	32.1%
Engines, steam, gas, and water.....	72,121,000	45,758,000	63.4%
Fertilizers.....	153,196,000	41,048,000	26.7%
Flour and grist-mill products.....	877,680,000	624,313,000	71.1%
Miscellaneous food-preparations.....	219,333,000	130,555,000	59.5%
Foundry and machine-shop products.....	866,545,000	412,073,000	47.5%
Furniture.....	265,706,000	141,604,000	53.2%
Glass.....	123,085,000	63,000,000	51.1%
Hardware.....	73,320,000	23,547,000	32.1%
Hosiery and knit goods.....	258,913,000	51,246,000	19.7%
Iron and steel work.....	918,665,000	818,359,000	89.0%
Leather.....	367,202,000	117,560,000	32.0%
Lime.....	18,391,000	8,902,000	48.4%
Lumber and timber products.....	715,310,000	409,941,000	57.3%
Oil, cottonseed, cake and meal.....	212,127,000	121,902,000	57.4%
Paints.....	112,409,000	53,526,000	47.6%
Paper and wood pulp.....	332,147,000	98,992,000	29.8%
Miscellaneous rubber goods.....	223,611,000	126,080,000	56.3%
Slaughtering and meat products.....	1,651,965,000	1,204,174,000	72.8%
Structural iron work.....	159,378,000	109,655,000	68.8%
Turpentine and resin.....	20,990,000	16,083,000	76.6%
Woolen and worsted goods.....	379,484,000	17,420,000	4.5%
Total manufactures, 1914.....	24,246,435,000	10,594,111,000	43.6%
Total manufactures, 1904.....	14,793,903,000	6,094,509,000	41.1%





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# PROBLEMS OF DEMOCRACY

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## TRANSPORTATION BY WATER

"TO THE AMERICAN BOY, whose duty it is to maintain our flag upon the seas now that it has been restored there," runs the dedication of "The New Merchant Marine," by Edward N. Hurley, formerly chairman of the United States Shipping Board. He is proud of his work. "Our new merchant fleet as it floats to-day represents the most spectacular achievements in the history of this or any other country," he tells us, adding, "Conspicuous among these achievements was the launching on July 4, 1918, of ninety-five ships in American yards—fully 50 per cent. of which yards were not in existence a year before."

But what necessitated this frantic haste to build ships? We had ships a-plenty in the old days. "Almost the first industry established on our shores was the building of ships. By the middle of the eighteenth century twelve of the thirteen colonies lying along the Atlantic seaboard possessed regular shipyards, and each colony was producing from 2 to 137 bottoms a year," and everywhere on the high seas went Yankee sailormen. "In addition to covering established trade routes, they engaged extensively in pioneer operations. They sailed direct to the Cape of Good Hope and to Hindustan, Java, and Sumatra. Through the Dutch in the East Indies they carried on an early trade with Japan. Madagascar, New Holland, and New Zealand were among their regular ports of call. Theirs were among the earliest ships on the coast of South America and the West Coast of Africa."

As time went on, the Yankee fleets engaged more and more audaciously in trade. "A Boston merchant named Tudor obtained a monopoly of supplying ice to the city of Havana. Then, there was the American whaling industry. During this period, too, steam propulsion and its concomitant, the famous American clipper-ship, made their appearance. The first steam-vessel to cross the Atlantic was the *Savannah*, American-built and American-owned. The clippers were marvels of speed and strength. With them the twelve-day transatlantic passage was not uncommon; and nine-day voyages, not achieved by steam-vessels until thirty years later, are on record."

By 1850, or thereabouts, "our merchant marine had reached the zenith of its size, glory, and power. Our flag was on every highway of commerce. Our total oceangoing tonnage had reached 2,496,894. Even our new steam fleet closely approached the size and exceeded the efficiency of England's." But dark clouds were gathering, and ere long came the Civil War, and "between the ravages of Confederate cruisers, the demoralization of our industries and commerce, the sale of our vessels into foreign registry, and the bankruptcy of many of our ship-owners, almost half of our merchant marine was wiped out."

National pride stimulated a burning desire to regain our lost supremacy, but desire, in these matters, is not enough. It takes necessity, and our entrance into the world-war brought that. Ships had to be built. They had to be built quickly—and were. "The Great War has left on our hands the nucleus of a large merchant fleet with which to reestablish our flag upon the seas. It consists of about 2,311 vessels aggregating some 13,600,000 dead-weight tons. There is nothing elaborate about it, for it was built in an emergency for the grim purposes of war. It contains no ocean greyhounds; in fact, only twenty-six of the ships were designed to carry passengers. There are few tankers, colliers, and other special types; but, in the main, its units are carriers of bulk and general cargo, capable of turning up between nine and one-half and eleven knots an hour. They are good, strong vessels of better material, equipment, and workmanship than the old cargo vessels of Europe."

What, now, of the future? There are foreigners who can build ships more cheaply than we can. There are foreigners who can man and sail ships more cheaply than we can. If maintaining our merchant marine is to be unprofitable—that is to say, if outsiders can beat us at our own game—what powerful incentive remains for staying in that game? National pride? If so, how is national pride to translate itself into something practical and tangible? Foreigners have sometimes stimulated

the growth of their fleets by grants of money to ship-owners—in a word, subsidies—and for a long time certain American publicists have urged us to do likewise. To this Mr. Hurley is strongly opposed.

All questions relating to ships and the deep seas are at present befogged with uncertainties. To what extent will our foreign trade develop? To what extent will our competitor's fleets develop? To what extent will private initiative replace governmental initiative in keeping up our new merchant marine? Affairs are at present so unsettled that it is difficult to predict. But meanwhile there is agitation for canals and for improved rivers, and in matters relating to inland waterways we deal with forces under our immediate control. Congress—or a State legislature—can say, "Let a canal be built," and nothing can prevent its being built, even tho, as in the case of the New York State Barge Canal, it may cost \$155,000,000.

In "American Transportation Problems," Samuel O. Dunn pays his compliments to the enthusiasts who "paint attractive pictures of great vessels loading at Chicago and St. Louis and steaming without transfer of cargo through the country to the Gulf, and thence to all parts of the world," and reminds us that "this main project is supplemented by numerous minor ones, including the deepening of the Mississippi River to St. Paul and of its various tributaries, and of other rivers in all parts of the country; the construction of a ship-canal to connect the lower end of Lake Michigan with Lake Erie; the construction of a ship-canal from Lake Erie to the Atlantic Ocean, etc. The three chief arguments for this plan are (1) that it would cheapen transportation; (2) that it would regulate railway freight-rates; and (3) that it would provide in the best way needed additional facilities of transportation."

How sound are these arguments? As Mr. Dunn goes on to say, "there can be no question that well-managed steamship lines in our coastwise and Great Lakes traffic can generally haul goods more cheaply than railways. The case of artificial waterways, including under this term both canals and improved rivers, is very different. Expenditures analogous to those for the construction and maintenance of a railway's roadway must be made on them; and the expenses of operation caused by the physical limitations of their channels are comparable to those caused by the limitations of a railway's track." These are serious objections, and, as Mr. Dunn goes on to say, "even if the Lakes-to-Gulf waterway were dug twenty feet, or even thirty feet, it is not probable it would be used by lake or ocean steamships. A lake or ocean vessel is poorly constructed for navigating a canal or tortuous river; its ratio of length to beam is too great and its rudder power insufficient to keep it from frequently running into the banks except when moving very slowly."

Mr. Dunn edits *The Railway Age Gazette* and perhaps might be regarded by some as, on that account, more favorable to railways than to waterways. Railways are not supposed, at any rate, to love canals, or improved rivers, or any type whatsoever of inland waterway. But no such charges of special pleading will be brought against Charles Whiting Baker, consulting editor of *The Engineering News-Record*, and he agrees pretty closely with Mr. Dunn when he sets forth his views in "What Is the Future of Inland Water Transportation?" There we read that "traffic on nearly all inland waterways has all but disappeared. With few exceptions, the competition of waterways with railways is no longer of any consequence. The primary cause of the decline of the waterways is the extraordinarily low cost at which the railways of the United States are able to handle low-grade bulk freight, which is the only class of freight on which the waterways can hope to compete with railways."

By way of conclusion he says, "The only waterways which promise public benefit are those whose terminal expenses favor the waterway instead of the railroad. A deepened St. Lawrence River connection between the lakes and the Atlantic and a ship-canal across New Jersey are the two waterway projects which best deserve attention."



# Why this Evolution in Spring Suspensions makes for Better Roothing in the



Purposing that the LELAND-BUILT LINCOLN CAR shall provide the measure of riding ease which motordom long has hoped for, and make traversable those highways which motorists have been prone to avoid, LINCOLN engineers and those co-operating with them accorded due consideration to a multitude of factors which had a specific bearing upon the roading qualities of this particular car.

It was realized first, that if the springs were fully and effectually to perform their functions as springs, it would be imperative that they be not handicapped by having to perform any additional function.

By driving through a torque member rather than through the rear springs, it is possible to shackle the latter at their forward as well as the rearward end, hence obtaining the maximum of flexibility. If the car were driven through the rear springs, they would have to be stiffer and to be attached more rigidly at the forward end.

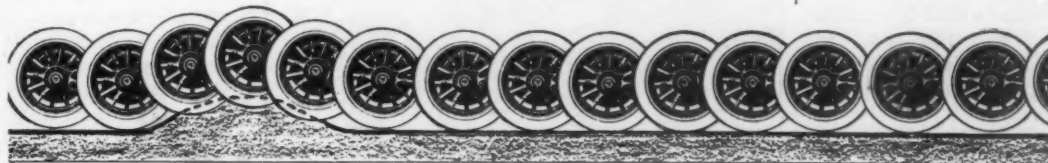
The spring bolts are especially large, being one inch in diameter, making them conducive to better lubrication, to easier action and to longer life.

Pliancy in springs, however, is by no means the sole objective. That in itself is easily accomplished and, too, is easily overdone.

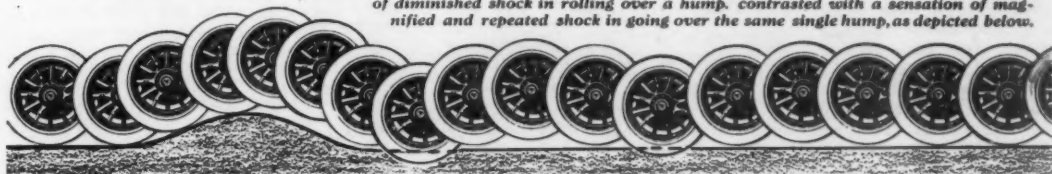
It is observed oftentimes that springs which are effectual in neutralizing the minor inequalities of the road, may be too flexible successfully to withstand impacts with the larger humps and depressions. On the other hand, springs which are reasonably effectual on the rougher roads, may not be sufficiently yielding to make for comfort on surfaces which are but slightly undulating.

Again, springs which are conducive to a degree of comfort under some particular load may not be suitable for a lighter or a heavier burden.

In bringing the LINCOLN spring suspension to its present high efficiency, the long devotion to development took place over a wide variety of highways, under a wide range of conditions, and with varying loads. Then were determined the various factors which, in correct combination, would produce the greatest possible number of desirable results.



*These illustrations are intended merely to portray sensations; the one above to depict the LINCOLN passengers' impression of diminished shock in rolling over a hump, contrasted with a sensation of magnified and repeated shock in going over the same single hump, as depicted below.*



Of the several advantages achieved, one of the most influential is the non-synchronization of the front and rear springs which materially reduces their tendency to yield and rebound in unison. The result is, that in going over a hump or into a depression—while there is naturally one yield and rebound—that is usually all there is to it, rather than repetitions which impart the sensation of several humps or depressions. And, too, the roughness of the road appears greatly diminished.

LINCOLN advantages are also due, in a measure, to the fact that by driving through a long torque member, a more nearly constant wheelbase is

maintained; that is, the distance between the front and rear wheels does not materially vary. If the car were driven through the rear springs, the wheelbase would continually vary, to the extent that the spring flexings were influenced by the variable application of power.

The marked extent to which LINCOLN engineers have improved upon conventional practice can be appreciated only by riding in the car, especially over some piece of road which other experience has shown to be quite discomfoting.

The manner in which the car holds the road at speed, and its comparative steadiness when traversing wriggly

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# PERSONAL - GLIMPSES

## CHILD FACES AT THE RESTAURANT-WINDOWS OF EUROPE

**N**OBODY LIKES TO EAT near the windows of restaurants in any of the Polish cities this winter. The eyes of half-starved children, with their pinched, white faces preat against the glass in the outside cold, are enough to destroy the appetite of the most hardened globe-trotter. Wherever food is offered for sale there are children silently staring in—at bakeries, groceries, and eating-houses. Attempts are made to feed them once a day, but this is not enough to keep them from being hungry most of the time. Up to now it has not even been possible to furnish a small amount of daily food to every child that needs it. Cold and exposure are allies of hunger in pursuing these small citizens. Their homes, in many cases, are only dugouts, unfurnished except for a pile of straw in one corner, on which all the family sleeps in a heap, huddled together for warmth. Rags are the commonest clothing. Multiplied many times, this description of conditions, which a recently returned member of the American Relief Administration brings from Poland, applies to a great part of central Europe. "It is not an unusual thing to find a child dying in the streets," said this agent, as quoted by the *New York Times*. "I remember one case at Lodz:

"I was stopt by the sobs of a child. I went over to investigate and found a little girl in rags sitting close to the body of a child, also in rags, lying near her. I asked her what was the matter. 'My little brother won't get up,' she answered. I tugged at his arm and lifted his face. The lad was dead. We got their story later. They were the children of a soldier who had died in the war. Because they had no clothes to wear their mother used to come to the soup-kitchen to get the meal a day for them. She died of tuberculosis and the naked children were left alone.

"In desperation the little girl finally took the rags that covered their straw litter and wrapt the starving boy and herself in them. They had roamed the city all day until I had found them."

One out of every three children in Poland, according to the same authority, has rickets or tuberculosis. The one meal given each day to those judged most in need of it is not enough, and as for those who are judged not quite weak enough to need help, says the agent:

Nothing is more heart-breaking than to go through the schools to pick out the worst cases. Those who are not on the extreme edge of starvation are left behind. To hear them sob when they find that they are not picked for the meal a day makes one doubt the existence of supreme right and justice.

A recent bulletin, issued by the American Relief Association in this country, emphasizes the fact that these sufferings are not confined to individual cases, or cities, or even European nations. More than 10,000,000 European children, according to some dull and dry, but deadly serious, tables of statistics collected

by the Paris headquarters of the American Red Cross, are either starving or in danger of starvation. Among these millions who have not enough to eat, it is estimated that there are about 2,000,000 who have not adequate shelter, clothing, medical care, or "kindly human treatment." "The sufferings of Polish children are beyond imagination," reports Julia C. Lathrop, Chief of the Children's Bureau of the United States Department of Labor, who has recently returned from a tour of investigation in Europe. It was in Poland, as well as in Ruthenia and in parts of Jugo-Slavia, that she encountered homeless children

roaming the country like little wild animals.

"It is not easy to believe that there can be hordes of homeless children wandering from door to door or town to town in the former war-areas," writes Miss Lathrop, "but the knowledge can not be escaped over there. Fathers have been killed in the war, remote villages have been invaded and depopulated, families have been separated, typhus and other diseases have killed many, everybody is poverty-stricken. The new governmental machinery for child protection is not in operation, and the old private children's charities are powerless to meet the vast requirements created by the war. At Ushurod, the principal town of Ruthenia, the kindly, sensible superintendent of the State School for the Deaf said that one child or more came in almost every day at dinner-time for a meal, and then wandered on. Sometimes one or two stayed, but the school itself had

scant reserves of food and she dared not take in all the wanderers who came." Miss Lathrop continues, in an article written for the American Child Hygiene Association, and published in *Mother and Child* (New York):

The evidences of underfeeding are not always obvious to the lay eye. One becomes accustomed unconsciously to a lowered standard, but there are some signs any one can understand, once attention is called to them.

"Look at their legs," said a friend with whom I was walking in a decent quarter of a great city, pointing to a comfortable-looking group of young school-children. There was a betrayal. Some legs were bowed and some knock-kneed. Doubtless some were straight, but they only served to emphasize the deviations.

The food conditions in Austria represent no improvement over a year ago, reports A. E. Taylor, in the American Relief Administration *Bulletin*. It will be some years, predicts this writer, before the situation is alleviated. As for the American assistance, he writes:

The food supply of the children has been distinctly relieved by the European Child's Relief Committee, but this has been more than obliterated in the quantitative sense as applied to the entire population by reduction in the total amount. The adults of the cities of Austria live from hand to mouth upon a ration scarcely more than enough to maintain the emaciated



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individuals in a resting condition. The horses look better, the human beings look worse. Physical work is almost out of the question, unless additional food is supplied, and this has led to the system of the so-called food-wage, by which work is paid for in part through increased rations to the workers. The employer must be in a position to provide increased food and have guaranties for his coal before he can even undertake to import raw materials, even the credit were to be provided for such importations. The shackling imposed upon business enterprise under such circumstances is obvious, but must be seen to be fully appreciated. The death-rate is very high from tuberculosis, being most marked over the fiftieth year and between the fifth and fifteenth years. Statistics were never very reliable in Austria, and they have not been improved since the armistice, but there can be no question that the actual situation is not exaggerated by the vital statistics.

In Galicia the European Children's Fund fed, during the winter of 1919-20, approximately 390,000 children. "It is no exaggeration to state that if this work had not been undertaken, thousands of children would have died, either directly from starvation or from lack of resistance to disease," reports M. W. Gwynn, one of the relief workers. He presents this picture of suffering, especially as it affects the children:

The population of eastern Galicia is so dense that even under idle circumstances there is never any surplus food. Whereas the State of Pennsylvania has an average of 110 people to the square mile, Galicia has 230, and therefore never has more than just enough food. At present, with farms destroyed, horses requisitioned for the army, cattle largely driven off, and farm-implements more or less deteriorated, the situation from a food point of view is absolutely desperate. The lack of clothing is as serious as the lack of food. The price of materials is so high as to be out of reach of all but the wealthiest, the price of a bed-sheet or a shirt being 500 marks. Some cloth is now being manufactured in the district of Lodz, but this is not enough to supply the army. Nothing is, therefore, left for the civil population. And even among the soldiers the sight of a good many of them barefooted and ragged is a distressingly common one. The children of the poor have next to nothing. Indeed, I have seen children playing quite naked. There are thousands who can not come to our kitchens to get their food on account of the cold during the long Galician winters. Due to the lack of clothing, fuel, and soap, cleanliness is impossible, and the people are consequently an easier prey to disease. The whole country suffered intensely last year from the inroads of typhus. The coming winter will doubtless be as bad. Some villages and towns lost as high as 23 per cent. of their population through deaths from typhus during the last winter. As a matter of fact, there were villages from which all of the remaining population had fled from their homes to escape the ravages of this terrible disease, thereby spreading it still further.

Miss Julia Lathrop, mentioned above, presents, in the *New York Times*, these poignant "Thumb-Nail Sketches of Hunger":

In a paper-box factory in Prague all of the party noted the small stature of the girl-workers, most of them in their middle teens, but looking younger until you saw their faces. The manager said: "Yes, it is so; we always have some girls who are little, but now they seem all to be little."

"Why are we hungry all of the time?" asked some working in central Europe of a distinguished food-expert. He answered: "You are hungry because, altho you consume a fair amount of food, it lacks fats. This fatless food digests rapidly, while fats digest slowly and keep the digestive apparatus busy and contented longer." Unless this sense of hunger is dulled by long custom, it is and has been for some years the daily portion of many of the men, women, and children of central Europe.

A woman teacher in Berlin said after a Hoover package had been sent her, "You have no idea how delicious lard is to eat on bread after the long deprivation of fats!"

A mother belonging to the formerly comfortable professional class nursed her baby until it was two years old because of the lack of food. Now the mother has softening of the bones or rickets. The husband was in the army and for two years a prisoner of war. He came home with a bad heart. The eldest girl has an abscess on the side. Two daughters who died during the war "had quite respectable diseases, one scarlet fever and one typhoid, indicating the natural status of the family." Their deaths were respectable because they were not caused by underfeeding.

We sometimes said, "They do not look so bad," as we saw children in the canteens. For one loses standards and takes for granted a general drab complexion and dull hair, but when you suddenly see a normal, rosy, vigorous child you realize that you have seen many thousands below a normal level.

Conditions such as those touched upon in these reports have inspired the gathering of the great Child-Feeding Fund now being collected by *THE DIGEST* for the amalgamated organizations of which Herbert Hoover is the head. Altho in certain countries "recuperation has proceeded to a considerable degree" during the summer, writes Mr. Hoover, in the latest American Relief Administration bulletin, "a careful resurvey of the situation proves that between 2,000,000 and 2,500,000 children will have to be assisted with food and clothing during the coming winter, outside of Germany, and about 1,000,000 in Germany." He concludes with this statement to the American people:

The Administration is conducted wholly by business men and business women. The operations in Europe are likewise carried out by business men and business women. The Administration has received the cordial support of the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Churches, the Y. M. C. A., and Y. W. C. A. It has made no distinction as to race or religion. No child of Jew, Catholic, Protestant, of any race in this vast territory has been turned hungry from its doors. The American Red Cross is extending its medical and clinical service among the children in part of these countries—but medical

service will be futile if the much larger problems of food and clothing shall fail.

Altho many of the officers of the American Relief Administration desire to be relieved of this long-endured service, we have felt it a public duty to carry on until the harvest of 1921. We do not feel that the American conscience would permit the closing of the door to this great mass of hungry children in Europe, and we have resolved to continue this service just as far as we can command the support of the American people.

The Administration now requires about \$15,000,000 for adequate service outside Germany until harvest, in August, 1921. In Germany, the Friends' Service Committee requires about \$8,000,000 to carry on its service to the same date.

This support is urgently needed at once if these children are not to be plunged into infinite misery.

This is service for the most helpless from the war; it is a service that the American people can not refuse.

It is estimated that by midwinter, says the *New York World*, the allied organizations will be caring for 3,500,000 children and will maintain 17,000 canteens, orphan-asylums, hospitals, and children's homes of different types in central Europe, all dependent upon American charity. So well have the business arrangements been taken care of that the overhead cost chargeable to American account is less than 1 per cent. It is planned, concludes *The World*, to make a special campaign for contributions during the Christmas season, and the *Rochester Post* sums up, in this way, a great volume of editorial approval:

It is fitting that such an appeal should be made during this season, which may be called the children's time. The thought of our own American children, well cared for and happy; should move us to greater compassion for these unfortunates.

**IN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND CZECHO-SLOVAKIA** there are 1,000,000 war-orphans. Five thousand of these have been wandering like animals in the Ruthenian Mountains.

**IN THE BALTIC REPUBLICS** there are 150,000 orphans. Many thousands will be unable to attend school next winter for lack of shoes and other necessary clothing.

**POLAND** has 500,000 orphans, the majority living in refugee camps instead of homes.

**IN ROUMANIA** there are 200,000 orphans.

**JUGO-SLAVIA** has 600,000, some living in devastated villages from which adults have fled.

**IN SOVIET RUSSIA** there are three to four million orphans.

#### WHERE CHILDREN ARE STARVING.

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## To Mothers of School Girls



The importance of using Packer's Tar Soap regularly during the "high school" era.

**I**F there is one particular time when the hair and scalp demand vigilant looking after, it is during the teens, when the budding girl is slipping into womanhood.

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### THE "KING OF BOOK-AGENTS" AMONG DOGS AND TIGHTWADS

**R.** C. BARNUM, of Cleveland, known as "the King of Book-agents," before he became a successful publisher and employer of hundreds of agents, called one day on a Mrs. Pepper, who was all that her name implied. He was not so well versed in the fine diplomacies of the game at this stage of his career, or he wouldn't have rushed in where angels ordinarily would fear to tread. Had he been better trained he would have cast an eye on the weather, have heard through cautious inquiry that now was the threshing season, when everybody was busy, and would have postponed his call, or have changed his methods of attack. However, he went, and by his shrewdness turned the bitter experience of the moment into later profit. Albert Sidney Gregg relates the story in *The Specialty Salesman Magazine*:

Mrs. Pepper had a sharp tongue, a bad temper, and a fierce-looking yellow eye, set sideways in her head, which gave her a most forbidding appearance.

As soon as Barnum made known his business Mrs. Pepper responded with a string of language strong enough to singe a cat.

"Your book is no good, now clear out," she screamed. "We have had one like it for over a year, and I want to tell you it is absolutely worthless. There's not a remedy in it that is worth shucks, and I have tried nearly all of them. Git out," she continued, "and if I ever see you around here again I'll scald you with hot water. You book-agents are a lot of crooks; that is what you are, and I don't want anything to do with you."

Barnum listened patiently, waiting for the time when she would "run down" and stop for rewinding.

When that eventful moment arrived he got the floor away from her and came back with a proposal which should have closed the incident instantaneously.

"I am very sorry, madam, that you do not like the book," said Barnum, courteously. "However, you are not obliged to keep it. The publisher has authorized me to buy back a book where the buyer is not satisfied. If you will get it for me I'll be glad to hand you the money."

He pulled out his pocket-book and stood waiting.

Mrs. Pepper hesitated for just an instant and then broke out in a new spot.

"No, you can't have the book," was the amazing retort. "I would not sell that book for any price. Now git out, and don't bother me any more. Can't you see I am busy?"

"Thank you, Mrs. Pepper," responded Barnum, with a merry twinkle in his eye. "If you should change your mind and decide to sell the book back to us, you can reach me by dropping a postal in the village post-office. I'll be in this part of the country for some time."

Barnum bowed himself out gracefully and went on his way.

At every place he offered his book in that neighborhood thereafter he said very seriously:



"Mrs. Pepper has had one of these books for over a year, and she says she would not sell it to me for any price." And of course he got many orders, because they all knew Mrs. Pepper.

Thus Barnum, by keeping cool, was able to retreat in good order, and, by being clever, was able to "cash in" on Mrs. Pepper's contrariness.

A quick wit is, of course, a valuable asset to any one, but to a book-agent, against whom so many doors are locked, it is a prime necessity. Barnum once went to a town with a book especially interesting to club women. With fine diplomacy he rented a room at the home of a woman prominent in club life, and from her he obtained a varied assortment of valuable information. One afternoon, hot and tired, he arrived at the home of Mrs. Edwards. Mrs. Edwards answered his ring, and he started to open the screen-door and go right in. But she was quicker. Like lightning her hand went up and hooked the door from the inside.

"Are you a book-agent?" she asked, suspiciously. Says the writer:

It looked for an instant as if he would have to say either "Guilty" or "Not Guilty." There appeared to be no alternative. But—leave it to a book-agent.

Registering surprise, he came back at her with a query in just the right way:

"Why, Mrs. Edwards, do I look like a book-agent?"

He was well drest and nice-looking, and there was no evidence of his occupation in sight. Furthermore, he might be a banker, lawyer, millionaire in disguise, or some other "personage" whom Mrs. Edwards could not afford to offend. She gave him the "once-over" for a second time, which is unusual for a woman to do, and then, with a smiling apology, replied:

"Oh, I beg your pardon," unlocking the screen; "do come right in."

Barnum was "in the castle," but how was he going to present his book? Wait and see. He knew that Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Davis were intimate, and so he began in this fashion:

"Mrs. Davis, with whom I am stopping, told me you were prominent in club work, and I've run in for a few minutes to have a little chat with you. Possibly I may be back later for a further talk. My time is rather limited to-day, and I will not be able to stay very long. I'm from the East, and am familiar with what some of the clubs are doing in many of the Eastern cities."

Thereupon, Barnum began conjuring with the names of well-known club leaders in that city and elsewhere, greatly to the delight of Mrs. Edwards, who felt that she was being highly honored. As they chatted, Barnum looked at his watch frequently. Incidentally he slipped his book out from under his coat and laid it on the table with the remark:

"There is something I came across the other day that is fine for club-workers."

Then they talked some more about the weather, politics, and the development of women. Mrs. Edwards all the while was stealing covert glances at the book, and the more she looked the more she wanted to examine it. Finally, curiosity gained the upper hand, and with a polite "excuse me" she reached over and picked up the "treasury of thoughts."

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been wanting," she exclaimed. "Do you think you could get one for me?"

"Yes, I think I could get another one."

"Send it by express and I will pay the charges, if you are not coming this way again soon."

"That will not be necessary, Mrs. Edwards," replied the genial Barnum, rising, picking up his hat and book, and moving toward the door. "I will bring it the next time I call."

"Just splendid," exclaimed the delighted lady, as she carefully closed and locked the screen once more to "keep out book-agents."

Barnum made his "getaway" without a signed order; nevertheless he had made a sale. On her part, Mrs. Edwards thought she had discovered something for herself.

A few days later Barnum "just ran in" on Mrs. Edwards with a new copy of the book, got the money on the spot, and, after handing her another line of talk on clubs, managed to escape, with a cordial invitation ringing in his ears to "call again" some time when he was passing through the city. Mrs. Edwards was delighted and—so was Barnum.

Suppose Mrs. Edwards had "caught on" that Barnum was a real, simon-pure book-agent? What would the lady have done? A problem in "woman nature" for a novelist. She might have raved and thrown the book into the garbage-can, or she might have taken the incident as a joke, and told the story on herself at the next meeting of her club. And her story would have been the very best kind of advertising for Barnum. Her action would have been governed entirely by her mood, the state of the weather, and what she thought the other women might think about the matter. But nothing of that kind happened, and Barnum went on his way in search of other worlds to conquer.

Timothy Tightwad, member of a numerous and widely scattered family, afforded the young agent another sort of experience. Tightwad held on to his money as a crab holds on to a bather's toe. After Barnum had worked on him for an hour, Tightwad took a hitch in his trousers, and drawled:

"Wal, I 'low as how I won't take any one."

But Barnum, unabashed, kept right on and at the end of another hour landed the order. Timothy was a rich man, according to the standards of his community, but he had made his money more by skinning pennies than by real business enterprise. He was miserly, and his neighbors exprest great surprize when Barnum announced that he had obtained Mr. Tightwad's order. They freely predicted that Barnum would not be able to deliver the book and collect for it.

When delivery time came Barnum called on Mr. Tightwad, ready for a verbal battle. Mrs. Tightwad was present this time. Barnum handed over the book, and waited expectantly for Tightwad to pull out his wallet and pay the bill. But instead of reaching for his money he returned the book with this drawling excuse:

"No, I reckon we-uns cain't take it."

Barnum laid the book on a table, and held the original order in his hand. He scanned it closely for an instant, then looking up, asked,

"Mr. Tightwad, do you remember just how your note was worded—the note you gave me for the book? Did it call for two seventy-five or two hundred seventy-five? If you pay it now it will cost you two seventy-five, but if I leave it at the bank in town you will pay just what it calls for."

Barnum's purpose was to set them guessing and play on their fears. His plan worked. Husband and wife exchanged uneasy glances, and finally the woman drawled:

"If we-uns pay you the two seventy-five naow, will you give back the note?"

Barnum paused a moment, as if considering the matter.

"Yes," he replied at length, "if you will hand me the two seventy-five right now you may have it."

Tightwad reached down into his pocket, brought forth some money, and counted out the two dollars and seventy-five cents.

"Naow," he said, suspiciously, "we-uns will hand over the money as you pass us the note."

Barnum held out the "note" with his right hand and took the money with his left hand, the exchange being made in the same instant. Neither one trusted the other, but they were able to do business after a fashion.

The next incident is about Mr. Simpkins, who lived in Michigan. Barnum had called to deliver a book. As he approached Simpkins, Barnum ripped the paper cover off, and held the book up, exclaiming:

"Isn't that a dandy? Just look at that binding? See how clear the type is? What fine pictures?"

He went on in that strain for a few seconds, closely watching the expression on Simpkins's face. He had a hunch that Simpkins was going to back out if he could, and Barnum was ready for him. Finally, Simpkins shifted his feet uneasily, batted his eyes, and blurted out:

"I guess I don't want the book. I have had a run of bad luck since you were here—lost some pigs and a cow—and I guess I don't want it."

Meanwhile, Barnum had handed the book over to Simpkins, who held it in a gingerly manner.

"I just left a book with your neighbor at the next house, and he has some change. Perhaps he would lend you enough to pay for the book?"

"No, I reckon I can't do that way—I don't believe in borrowing."

"You could let me have something now couldn't you—fifty cents or a dollar—and I would leave the book? You could pay the rest when you get more money. You will have some soon, won't you?"

"Yes, that'll be all right," replied Simpkins readily.

"Just let me take the book for a moment," said Barnum, and Simpkins gladly handed it back.

Barnum wrote out a receipt for one dollar, whereupon, Simpkins reluctantly dug down and fished out that amount in small change.

"Now," explained Barnum, "I will mark the amount you have paid right here on the fly-leaf of the book, and leave it with the postmaster. When you get the money, you may pay the balance to him and get your book."

Away Barnum started with the book and the dollar. After he had gone a few steps Simpkins saw the point and called out:

"Hold on," he exclaimed. "I just happened to recollect that I have some money

in my other clothes up-stairs. Here, Johnny, you run up and get the wallet out of my best pants hangin' on the nail near the head of my bed."

Johnny did as he was ordered and soon came back with the wallet.—Simpkins pulled out a nice bunch of bills and selected enough to finish paying for the book.

After Barnum had "said his little piece" about the book to a woman up the road, half a mile from Simpkins's house, she demanded:

"That all sounds very nice, Mister, but what I want to know, is there anything in that book of yours that is for information of the stummick?"

Barnum gravely assured her that the book contained a number of excellent recipes for stomach trouble, whereupon she quickly subscribed for a copy.

Barnum, like practically all men who have sold goods by calling at houses, has had his experiences with dogs.

I switched him onto that subject by asking:

"Is it true that if you look a fierce dog in the eye you can master him?"

"Like many other popular sayings," replied Barnum, "that saying is true—in spots. Generally speaking, however, the best way to deal with a dog, when you are calling at a strange house, is to pay no attention to him. Walk along just as if the dog were not there. It takes some nerve, but if you are out very much you simply have to acquire the nerve. I had a dog rush at me once, and as he was about to spring, I thrust my hat in his mouth. While he was chewing the hat I kicked him under the jaw. He dropt the hat and ran away howling. Of course my hat was damaged, but that was better than being bitten, and perhaps injured. That trick is taught to all our salesmen, and it is valuable for anybody to know."

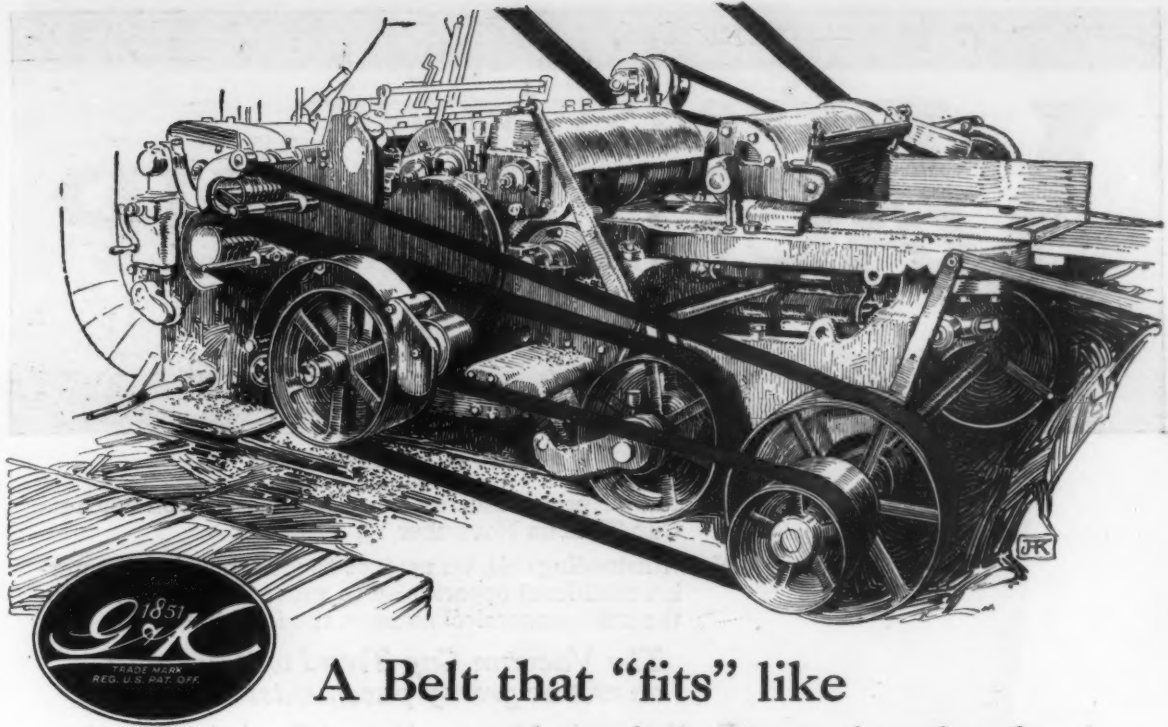
"As I approached a house one day I saw some men working near the barn, and I headed in that direction. On the way a big, savage-looking dog came out to meet me. He growled a little, and then followed me. As I was talking to the farmer that dog quietly opened his big mouth and took hold of the calf of my right leg. He set his teeth in just far enough to make me wince a little, but I did not give any sign that he was hurting. I knew that if I squirmed or attempted to beat him off he would bite me seriously. My only hope was to convince the dog that I was not afraid of him. So we stood there for a minute or two, the dog holding me, and the men looking on, wondering what would take place next. Finally the dog relaxed his grip and held up his head, just as if nothing had happened."

"Well," exclaimed the farmer, as he shook his head. "I am surprized that there is anything left of you."

"That dog was one of the meanest in that part of the country, as he nearly always made an attack without barking. So my conclusion is: Beware of the dog that does not make very much fuss. He is generally a bad actor."

"Does the same rule apply to people," I asked.

"Perhaps," was the non-committal reply. Barnum is regarded by many as the "King of book-agents." He began as a college student, sold books in summer, enlisted college students as agents for his company, and has trained or supervised the training of over twenty-five thousand student book-agents. He is now the owner or controlling force in six book companies. His sales for this season will aggregate over a million dollars.



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In 1913 W. F. Roberts, now general manager of the Maryland plant, then general superintendent of the Bethlehem plant, decided that something had to be done to reduce the great number of accidents, to alleviate the suffering of injured men, and, where possible, to save the lives of victims of serious acci-

dents. He called in a young mechanical engineer who had worked in various departments since 1909 and said: "Fonda, I am going to make you a proposition, but I don't want your answer until you have taken time to think it over. We have got to establish a safety department. I want you to look over the steel plants where organized safety work is now under way. Then come back here and tell me whether you want to undertake the job of organizing the work here at Bethlehem."

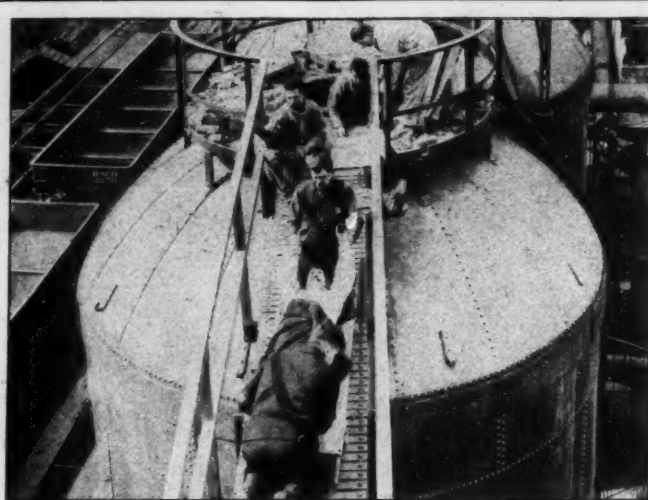
Fonda went through the plants of the Carnegie Steel Company, at Pittsburgh; through the National Tool Company's plant, at McKeesport; through the American Steel and Wire plant, at Cleveland; and the Lorain Steel plant, at Lorain,

Ohio. Then he came on to Chicago, where he saw both Youngs—R. J. and A. H.—at the Illinois Steel Works, and then plants of the Inland Steel Company. He returned to the East just as the Second Congress of the National Safety Council was announced, and so wound up his pilgrimage by attending the meetings of the country's earliest safety engineers at the McAlpin Hotel, New York.

"After that meeting there was no longer any doubt in my mind," Fonda said. "The only question then was how soon I could get back to the plant and start a safety department. I got a small office and a clerk, and started out to convince 9,000 workmen and a couple of hundred executives, superintendents, and foremen that safety work at Bethlehem was not a one-man job. I realized very quickly

that we would have to have a plant physician, and a rare one at that. In those days it was no easy matter to get even an injured man into a plant hospital; nor was there an abundance of physicians who were interested in industrial work. We offered the job to Dr. Shoudy, who was then at the Lankenau Hospital, at Philadelphia, with very fine prospects before him. To say that the appropriation for his salary was modest is putting it mildly, for the company had definitely decided to organize safety work along the lines best known at that time, it was not very enthusiastic about engaging a full-time plant physician. However, Dr. Shoudy saw a chance to do a big and important piece of work, so he took the job with all its handicaps and opportunities."

Dr. Shoudy took one look at what was considered a First-Aid Room and immediately started to develop, through the Safety Department, a plan for a building which would serve the needs of the plant and the men in giving them every possible accommodation in case of injury. A series of plans were developed, the original estimated to cost approximately \$12,000. As the work progressed it was evident to the management that there was a real necessity for a building, properly equipped, to take care of this new work, and finally, after the matter was thoroughly investigated and the ideas placed on paper, it was concluded wise to appropriate \$55,000 to cover buildings and equipment of an Industrial Hospital for the company employees at the Bethlehem plant. To-day this Industrial Hospital is looked upon as one of the most complete units of its kind and the wonderful service which has been accomplished by means of it has convinced the company that the original investment has been returned one-hundredfold. This building



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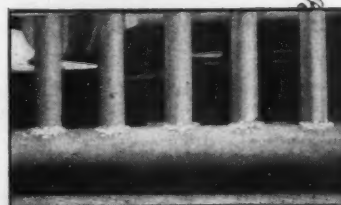
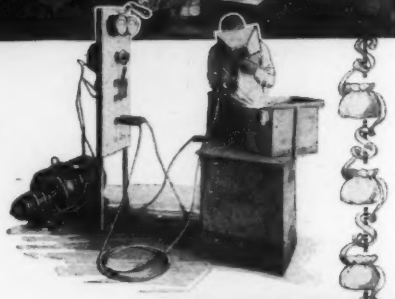
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## RIGHT AND WRONG WAYS OF SELLING YOUR SERVICES

A SLOUCHY letter inevitably suggests a slouchy mind, and that simple fact is reputed to be at the basis of numerous failures in that part of the business world where success depends much on a man's ability to sell his own services. "Regardless of your present situation," suggests E. B. Miller, writing in *The Professional Engineer* (New York), "ask yourself this question: 'If I lose my position to-morrow morning, where will I, where can I, go?'"

"The man who has a satisfactory answer to that question is fortunate indeed," says Mr. Miller, and continues:

Those who are forced through fate or unforeseen emergencies to seek a new location should be acquainted with the best procedure. They must have made a careful study of the problem of how to dispose profitably and to the greatest advantage of their services, skill, ability, and training. They must act as carefully as the man about to invest a large sum of money in a new venture. For your time, your training, your experience, your services constitute your capital, and when you invest it by accepting a position you want to earn the maximum return. When you go to work for a concern you invest your future, a part of your life. Are you prepared fully to market yourself to the best possible advantage? If you are not, these hints may be of value to you.

The fundamental requisites in seeking employment are acquiring knowledge and developing personality and cashing in on these values. It is first necessary to find the sort of employment that will give opportunity for self-expression along the lines of training and experience. Correct methods of finding your niche are necessary.

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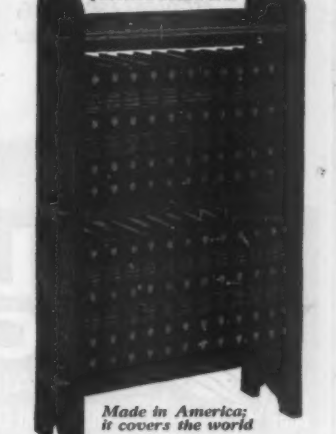
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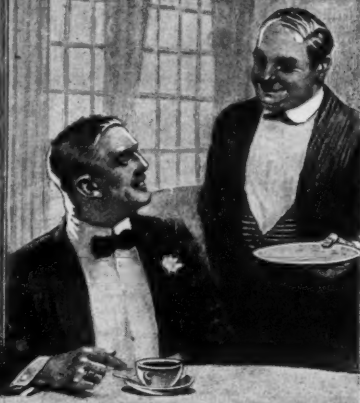
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The method of presenting your qualifications varies somewhat for different positions, but in general it is largely a matter of setting forth the important facts so that they can be caught and weighed at a glance. For most positions you can do no better than to explain your qualifications as simply and clearly as possible, and let the facts speak for themselves. Do not forget that the chief object of your letter of application is to get you a personal interview. Usually it is the first step toward the position you seek. Always before making application for a position it is well to have a definite sales policy based on a knowledge of yourself. Chart out your qualifications and base your sale on it. This study will make it less difficult in selecting opportunities as they come to your attention. Study each individual opportunity if possible. Find out the details of the employer's business and try to anticipate his likes and dislikes so as to take care of the personal equation.

There is no special form of letter that can be guaranteed to bring results under all conditions. You must be guided by circumstances and use the form and style best adapted to show your fitness for the position you are after. If you are known to the man you are addressing you can write in the friendly style that you would use in talking to him face to face. But as many letters of application go to a stranger or a "blind address" the best you can do often is to make your letter individual and attractive. Try to make your letter different from those that others might write. Because of the peculiar trend in human nature, we like the different fellow. If a number of people were watching a flock of sheep in an open field and all at once one of the sheep would break away and run across the field every one would notice that one. In the same way we always notice the person who stands out from the rest.

Before you actually write your letter set down on paper a brief outline of every personal item of interest which has a bearing on the position in question. That outline, worked into a letter, is the record on which you must stand or fall. Do not make it too long, but do not make it so short as to omit anything which ought to be included. Give yourself full face value for all you have done. Your letter is the vehicle that brings you first to the attention of the employer.

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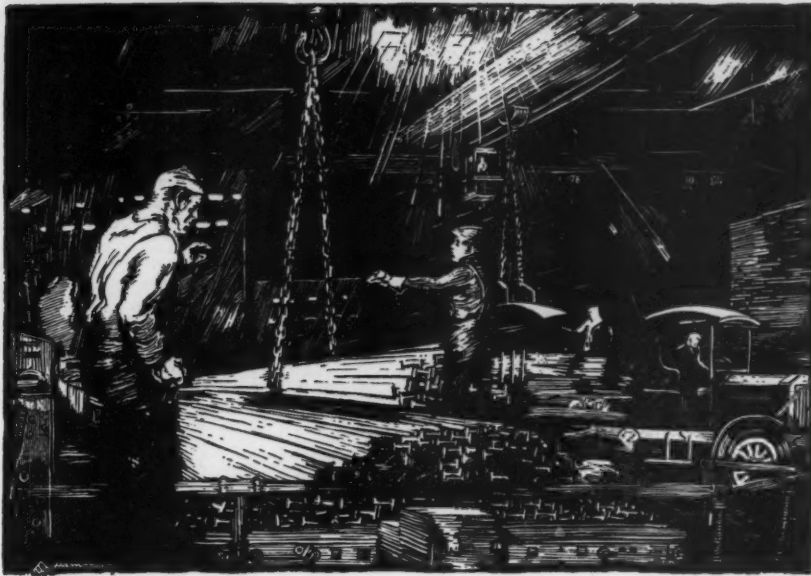
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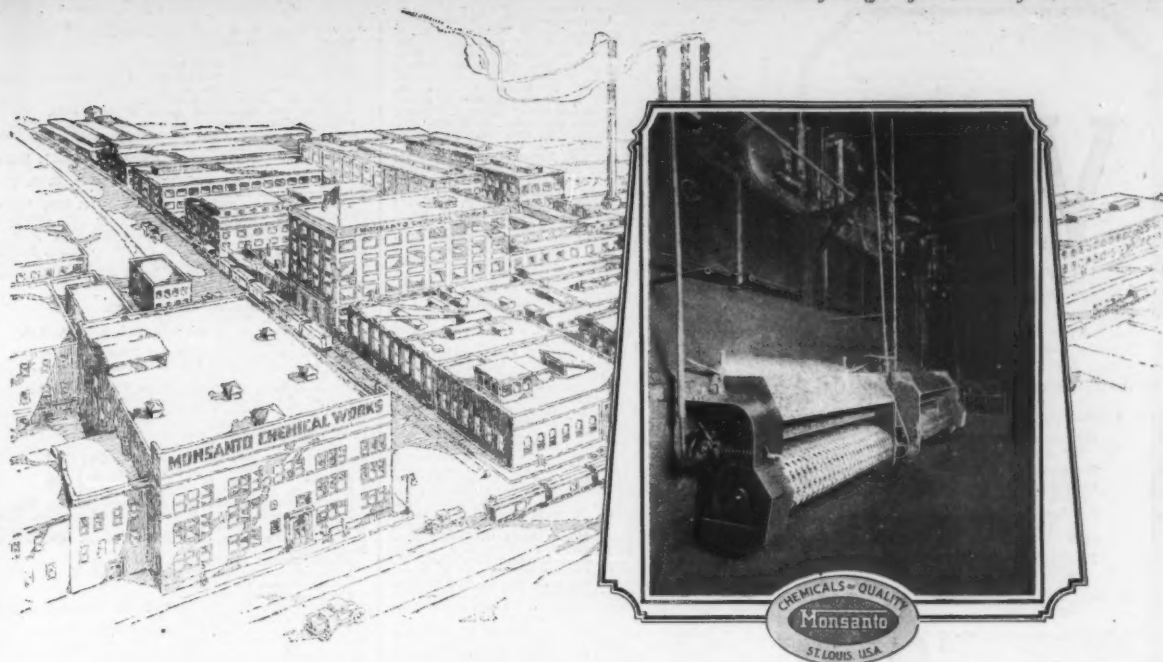
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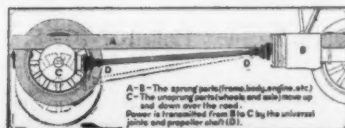


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### IRISH POLITICS AND TRADE

HOW interdependent Great Britain and Ireland are is reflected in the trade situation as affected by the political upheaval in Ireland and all its attendant consequences in the disruption of barter and exchange. In the first place, 90 per cent. of Ireland's imports come from Great Britain, and the latter depends to a very large extent on Irish exports for its table. But transport is practically at a standstill and motor service is so restricted that it is almost unavailable for the transshipment of goods, so that trading between the two islands is seriously interrupted. In addition to this, the inland trader in Ireland faces all sorts of perils and obstacles in receiving such goods as it is possible for him to get. He may be buying in a falling market and thus incur a later loss. He may suffer loss of his goods by outrage, or his supplies may be commandeered by some local committee if in his particular area there is an acute shortage, and such an act would not care for the profit due him or for the heavy insurance he would have been compelled to pay. Again, no wholesaler is willing to let a large stock go on credit, preferring, where credits are arranged, to distribute their risks as widely as possible. As *The Statist* (London) views the situation, the absence of a conciliatory trend in the policies of the participants in the embittered conflict now raging makes the outlook for Irish trade a gloomy one. "Coercion is still the chief weapon of the Government's armory, and, pending its abandonment, we can discern no ray of hope in the immediate future." Furthermore, continues this journal,

Few British readers take it to heart that we are spending over one million pounds per month on the army of occupation in Ireland and that, moreover, by our present policy we are strangling one of our best markets and destroying the productivity of one of our chief suppliers of food. Over 90 per cent. of Irish imports come from Great Britain, and in coal, iron, steel, and other metals, textiles and leather goods, practically all the Irish consumption is satisfied from British factories and workshops. We depend on Ireland for the major portion of our imported food supplies. Irish live stock is required not only for our tables but also for our farms, where it is brought to maturity and fattened. Bacon, butter, poultry, eggs, and oats are some of the other necessities of life which we draw to a large extent from across the Channel. Our actions in the political sphere, therefore, are having a ruinous effect not only on Ireland but on ourselves. The loss to us does not end here, as the present destruction of property and of accumulated wealth, in the form of stores of agricultural produce and other commodities, lessens the capacity of the Irish taxpayer to bear his burden, and accordingly increases the sum which we will eventually be called

upon to supply. No accurate estimate can be formed of the value of the movable and immovable property destroyed in Ireland in the last six months, but it certainly reaches an enormous figure. Irish political discontent thus reacts directly on our own prosperity, and the sooner our politicians realize this truth the keener will they be to effect a settlement.

### "HEADING OFF" AN OIL BOOM

THE word "boom" has a grand sound, but booms perhaps do more harm than good in the end, says the editor of *Canadian Finance* (Winnipeg), as he congratulates the province of Alberta on "heading off" an incipient oil boom. Generally, says this writer, in boom districts the profiteers leave a district when a boom is ended, "taking with them their ill-gotten gains," while those who were "stung" remain "to kick." So—

The net result of every boom can usually be summed up as follows:

1. Facts and figures are grossly distorted.
2. Speculation is rampant and actual development a negligible quantity.
3. Legitimate development is retarded because of the damaging effect of the campaign of misrepresentation which accompanies the boom.
4. The artificial or fabricated excitement or enthusiasm created is eventually succeeded by a period of depression.

When we trace a boom to its logical conclusion we find that it, like a swollen, roaring torrent that overflows its banks, leaves behind a trail of wreckage and financial loss to those who were caught in its onward rush. Every boom has a boomerang effect.

Oil, it seems, has recently been found in some quantity in northern Alberta, and the province "is on the verge of what may become the greatest oil boom that ever occurred on the American continent. Such a boom at this time would be a serious handicap to legitimate development." Realizing this, business men of Edmonton have taken steps to find out all the facts in connection with the oil discovery, "for plain facts are an effective antidote for oil booms." These men, we read, "realize that Edmonton will suffer if an oil boom gets under way. They know that there is a big difference between oil-wells and oil claims." The facts in connection with the oil strike in Alberta are as follows, according to *Canadian Finance's* investigators:

1. The oil is of a high grade.
2. Those in charge of the drilling are well pleased with their success.
3. The well is not a gusher, but spouts oil at intervals.
4. Lack of transportation will preclude actual development for a considerable period.

These are the plain facts and they confirm the opinion often expressed by experts, that the northern parts of the prairie provinces are saturated with mineral wealth.



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OUT of the surge of the inconceivable came the creation of worlds. Man followed; and eternity split apart to give him the priceless thing called time.

Man opened his eyes to understanding. He felt the craving to create, to accomplish, to add value to time, to his time, to his life.

He went in quest of opportunity. He searched out the needs of his fellows; and learned that reward lay in the path of service.

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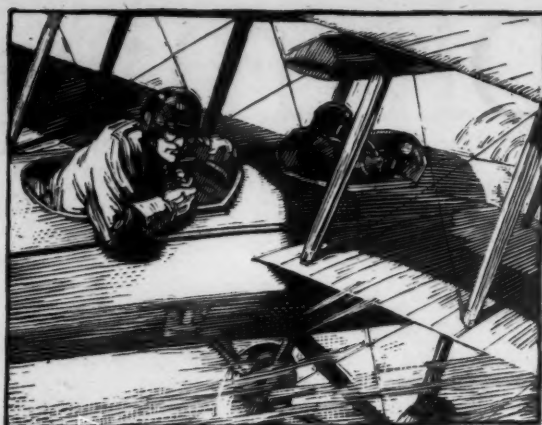
Man saw that his own creations were linked with those of other men. He discovered steam; and ten thousand created the ways and means for its use.

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## CURRENT EVENTS

## FOREIGN

December 15.—Advices received in Vienna declare that Roumania is adopting measures "indicative of the imminence of war" with Russia over the possession of Bessarabia.

The landing of Russian Soviet troops at Trebizond on the Black Sea coast has been begun, say reports from Angora in Asia Minor.

A military dictatorship is imposed in some of the industrial districts in Czechoslovakia, and a "proletariat dictatorship" in several others, says a Vienna report reaching London. Many casualties are said to have occurred from conflicts at some points.

The Assembly of the League of Nations elects Austria a League member without opposition. This is the first former enemy state admitted.

The Serbian Cabinet headed by Dr. Vesnich resigns, according to Belgrade advices.

December 16.—A dispatch reaching Copenhagen from Riga says Leon Trotsky, the Russian Bolshevik Minister of War, is engaged in a vast peace propaganda. It is said that Russia was never in greater distress than now and is willing to give concessions to foreign capitals to avoid conflicts with neighboring countries.

Edmond Schulthess, formerly Vice-President of Switzerland, is elected President for 1921, by Parliament.

Martial law is declared in various towns in Czechoslovakia as a result of clashes between troops and strikers.

December 17.—Representatives of Germany and Denmark sign the financial convention concerning the Schleswig territory ceded to Denmark by Germany under the Peace Treaty. Under the convention Denmark agrees to pay Germany 65,000,000 marks, gold, which sum will be placed to the credit of Germany on her reparation account.

December 18.—The effort to obtain a truce between England and Ireland seems to be at an end when Premier Lloyd George rejects the Irish proposal that reconciliation be brought about only by "direct negotiations with the official head of the Irish Republic, President de Valera."

One hundred and fifty persons are killed and many injured by an earthquake in the province of Mendoza, Argentina. An entire village is virtually destroyed.

It is reported from Constantinople that the Armenian Government, acting on orders from Moscow, has notified the American Relief Commission to withdraw from Erivan, the Armenian capital.

The first meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations, at Geneva, closes. In a farewell speech Paul Hymans, president of the Assembly, tells the delegates that the first Assembly proved that the League was a living organization and a success.

It is reported from Tokyo that new legislation is being drafted in Japan, providing for foreign land-ownership in the country "to meet the provisions of the treaty now being negotiated in Washington."

President Obregon, of Mexico, is reported to be dealing drastically with petty chieftains in all parts of the country who have sought to seize the opportunity presented by the change of national administration to set revolu-

tionary movements afoot. Some fomenters have been arrested and others executed.

December 19.—Constantino, of Greece, removed from the throne by action of the Allied Powers in 1917, and called back by the recent plebiscite to resume his former status, arrives in Athens and is greeted enthusiastically by the populace.

Daniel Cohalan, Bishop of Cork, issues a decree excommunicating any one participating in further ambushes of Crown forces in his diocese.

All taxes on luxuries in Canada, except alcoholic liquors, confectionery, and playing-cards, have been abolished by the Dominion Government, says a report from Ottawa. Unemployment in the industries affected by the taxes are said to have been responsible for the Government's action.

Six hundred of the Russian children from the Petrograd colony whom the American Red Cross brought from Siberia by way of the United States have completed their trip around the world and will spend Christmas in their own homes.

Another earthquake of a most violent character takes place in Argentina, in the Mendoza district. Reports from the stricken region add many to the already large death-list resulting from the former earthquake.

Tokyo reports the most violent earthquake in Japan that has occurred since seismographic observations commenced in that country. The vibrations lasted two hours, and it is believed took place under the Pacific Ocean or in Central Asia.

The Mexican Cabinet decides to allow free exportation of silver, the abolition of state taxes on its production, and freight preference to mining materials in order to relieve the crisis in the mining industry threatening that country.

A bill nationalizing several railways is passed by the Assembly at Czechoslovakia. The measure was strongly opposed by the German Deputies and the chamber during the debate was marked by stormy scenes, says a report from Prague.

Japan's population, as revealed by the census recently completed, is 77,005,000, of which 55,960,000 are in Japan and 17,284,000 in Korea.

December 20.—Twenty-two nations sign the protocol giving executive approval to the League plan for an International Court of Justice. Portugal, Switzerland, Denmark, and Salvador also agree to compulsory arbitration.

Reports from Argentina estimate the number of persons dead and injured as the result of the last earthquake disaster in that country at more than 400.

## CONGRESS

December 15.—The Capper-Hersman Bill exempting farmers' cooperative marketing associations from the provisions of the Sherman Antitrust Law is passed by the Senate without a record vote. The bill now goes to conference for the consideration of various amendments.

Two amendments to the Constitution of the United States are offered in the House by Representative McArthur, of Oregon, the first providing that terms of Senators and Representatives shall begin on the first Monday in December instead of March 4 of the following year. The second amendment provides that Presidential terms shall begin on the second Monday in December following election.



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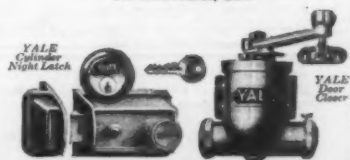
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## CURRENT EVENTS

### Continued

December 16.—The Poindexter antistrike bill is passed by the Senate. It forbids any effort to obstruct or delay interstate commerce by inducing any person employed by a common carrier to quit employment. Later Senator La Follette moves a reconsideration, which motion is pending.

An agreement is reached by the legislative leaders at a joint conference of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees to enact an emergency tariff to run for a year as an embargo against importations of the country's principal farm products, the aim being to provide a means to relieve the financial embarrassment of the farmers.

Representative Mason, of Illinois, introduces a resolution which would require Congress to provide for the establishment of a diplomatic and consular service in Ireland.

Representative Ashwell, of Alabama, introduces a bill in the House asking Federal aid in the construction of post roads, in the sum of \$500,000,000.

After a five hours' debate the House by a vote of 212 to 61 passes a resolution reviving the activities of the War Finance Corporation. The measure already had been adopted by the Senate, and if signed by the President the revived corporation will immediately be given \$380,000,000 from the public treasury with which to finance exportation of agricultural products to foreign markets.

A bill known as the Fordney Emergency Tariff is completed by the House Ways and Means Committee, designed to protect twenty farm products. The measure will be presented to the House soon.

A bill providing for protection for maternity and infancy passes the Senate. It is the first measure expressing the views of the organized women of the country since they exercised the universal right of suffrage.

## DOMESTIC

December 15.—Henry Morgenthau, of New York, former Ambassador to Turkey, is selected by President Wilson to act as the President's personal representative in mediating between the Armenians and the Turkish Nationalists.

Secretary Houston announces the over-subscription by \$200,000,000 of the two issues of Treasury certificates offered last week. The total subscriptions aggregated more than \$700,000,000 for the combined issue, which was for approximately \$500,000,000.

Capt. C. C. Moseley, of the United States Army Air Service, establishes an unofficial world's record for speed by making 200 miles an hour a part of the time during his flight over a 135-mile course on Long Island.

The annual report of the Commissioner-General of Immigration shows that the past year 90,025 aliens were admitted to the United States from Canada and 52,361 from Mexico, which breaks all records for immigration from those countries.

December 16.—Four waves of earthquake tremors are recorded at the seismographic observatory of Georgetown University, at Washington. The center of the disturbance, it is believed, was not far from the Azores.

Deportation of Ludwig C. A. K. Martens,

unrecognized Soviet "Ambassador" to the United States, is ordered by Secretary Wilson, of the Labor Department. The order states that Martens is an alien, a citizen of Russia, and a member of and affiliated with an organization advocating the overthrow of the United States Government by force.

The Census Bureau announces that the negro population of Chicago is 109,594, an increase during the last decade of 65,491. The total white population is 2,589,104, an increase of 450,047.

December 17.—Figures announced by the Department of Labor show that wholesale prices of commodities were lower in November than at any time since the war. The wholesale scale that month dropt 20 per cent. below the peak of high prices in May.

The population of the United States announced by the Census Bureau for certification to Congress as the basis for reapportionment of the members of the House of Representatives is 105,708,771. The population with outlying possessions is 117,857,509.

December 18.—The German Government owes the United States \$222,340,425 for maintenance of the American Army of Occupation, the War Department discloses in a report of the cost of keeping the American forces in Germany.

The Mayo Board of Inquiry into the charges of illegal killing of Haitians by United States marines files a report of almost complete exoneration. The court found two cases of unjustifiable homicide and sixteen other acts of violence, chargeable to marines, and found that punishment had been meted out by naval courts for each act.

December 19.—A statement of the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor shows that women in the ratio of about one to every nine men are employed in the industries which before the war employed chiefly or exclusively men.

December 20.—The Right Reverend Charles Sumner Burch, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York, dies suddenly, stricken with heart-disease.

The Treasury Department, acting with the approval of the State Department, removes restrictions on exportation of coin, bullion, and currency to Soviet Russia on dealings or exchange transactions in Russian rubles and on credit or exchange transactions with Soviet Russia.

**Applied Thrift.**—It is claimed that the people of the United States are at last becoming thrifty. Probably they realize that is the only way to buy a new car.—Chicago News.

**Chop Suey.**—Young China is reading Thorstein Veblen systematically, judging by a substantial reorder covering practically all of Veblen's books. We wonder what the patient Chinese mind will think when it strikes this Veblenian sentence appearing in his latest book, "The Place of Science in Modern Civilization": "If we are getting restless under the taxonomy of a monocotyledonous wage doctrine and a cryptogamic theory of interest, with involute, leucileidal, tomentous, and moniliform variants, what is the cyptoplasm, centrosome, or karyokinetic process to which we may turn, and in which we may find surcease from the metaphysics of normality and controlling principles?"—Quoted by the Chicago Tribune from the "Loz Onglaze" Times.

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**Another Ford Joke.**—"Why are school-teachers like Ford cars?"  
"Because they give the most service for the least money."—*Life*.

**One Compensation.**—Cheer up! If the reformers use up all the "blue" for the "blue"-law Sunday, there won't be any left for blue Monday.—*Columbus Dispatch*.

**High and Steep.**—GLADYS—"Madge has a high color, hasn't she?"

GWEN—"Yes, the dear girl. That kind costs ten dollars a box."—*The American Legion Weekly*.

**The Nightly Line.**—TEACHER—"What, Oscar, is the Ancient Order of the Bath?"  
YOUNG OSCAR (puzzled)—"I dunno; Johnny usually comes first, then Willie, then the baby."—*Life*.

**Why He Waves His Arms.**—Mrs. Sheridan says that Lenine gesticulates when using the telephone. Perhaps, as with us, it arouses feelings that can not be expressed in words.—*London Opinion*.

**S-s-s-h!**—A single word to describe a motor-bicycle and side-car is wanted. We have heard one used by a man whose machine had broken down, but as this is a family paper we're not going to print it.—*London Opinion*.

**He'll Make a Hit.**—BACON—"I see one of the National League pitchers is going into the movies."

EGBERT—"Think he'll make a hit?"  
BACON—"He sure will if they let him throw the pies."—*Yonkers Statesman*.

**Why They Applaud.**—"You don't attach much importance to the applause an orator receives."

"Not much," admitted Senator Sorghum. "There is bound to be applause. You can't expect an audience to sit still all evening and do absolutely nothing."—*Washington Star*.

**Those Considerate Lions.**—TEACHER—"You remember the story of Daniel in the lion's den, Robbie?"

ROBBIE—"Yes, ma'am."

TEACHER—"What lesson do we learn from it?"

ROBBIE—"That we shouldn't eat everything we see."—*Yonkers Statesman*.

**Two Cautious Motorists; or, So Many Cars Get Stolen Nowadays.**—Senator Harding stopt at the White House and left his card for President Wilson. He did not leave his car. President Wilson's motor-car was sent away about the time Mr. Harding arrived.—Quoted by the *Chicago Tribune* from the *New York Times*.

**Glassed.**—"My stars, how did Jones cut his face that way?"

"Poor fellow was at a launching the other day, and he licked the pieces."—*Judge*.

**More Enterprise Needed.**—"No one has yet been successful in filming an actual murder," states a picture-goers' journal. It certainly does seem a pity that our murderers are so terribly self-conscious in the presence of a cinematograph man.—*Punch (London)*.

**Their Drawback.**—MRS. BLANK (to laundress)—"And how is your newly married daughter getting on, Mrs. Brown?"

MRS. BROWN—"Oh, nicely, thank you, ma'am. She finds her husband a bit dull; but then, as I tell her, the good ones are dull."—*Boston Transcript*.

**Eccentricity Up to Date.**—HE—"My dear, I've warned you before, and now I must insist that we try to live within our income."

SHE—"Oh, very well, if you want to be considered eccentric by everybody in our set."—*Boston Transcript*.

**Father's Farewell.**—"What did the bride's father do for the happy couple?"

"He bought their railroad tickets."

"Ah!"

"But the happy pair didn't discover until after they got on the train that their tickets read only one way."—*Birmingham Age-Herald*.

**Team Work.**—"I say, Gadsby," said Mr. Smith, as he entered a fishmonger's with a lot of tackle in his hand, "I want you to give me some fish to take home with me. Put them up to look as if they'd been caught to-day, will you?"

"Certainly, sir. How many?"

"Oh, you'd better give me three or four—mackerel. Make it look decent in quantity without appearing to exaggerate, you know."

"Yes, sir. You'd better take salmon, tho."

"Why? What makes you think so?"

"Oh, nothing, except that your wife was here early this morning and said if you dropt in with your fishing-tackle I was to persuade you to take salmon, if possible, as she liked that kind better than any other."—*Los Angeles Times*.

**It Is Correct—**

To remove your hat when having your hair cut.

To admit belated burglars at the back door if the front entrance is crowded with earlier arrivals.

To dodge crockery thrown at you by your better half, but it is hardly necessary.

**It Is Not Correct—**

To produce a bottle of bonded liquor and a glass when a revenue officer is present; set out two glasses.

To say: "John F. Hylan ain't the best Mayor New York ever had." The grammar is bad.

To appear worried and alarmed when a "dry" sleuth is searching the premises. He may be a total abstainer.—*Brooklyn Eagle*.

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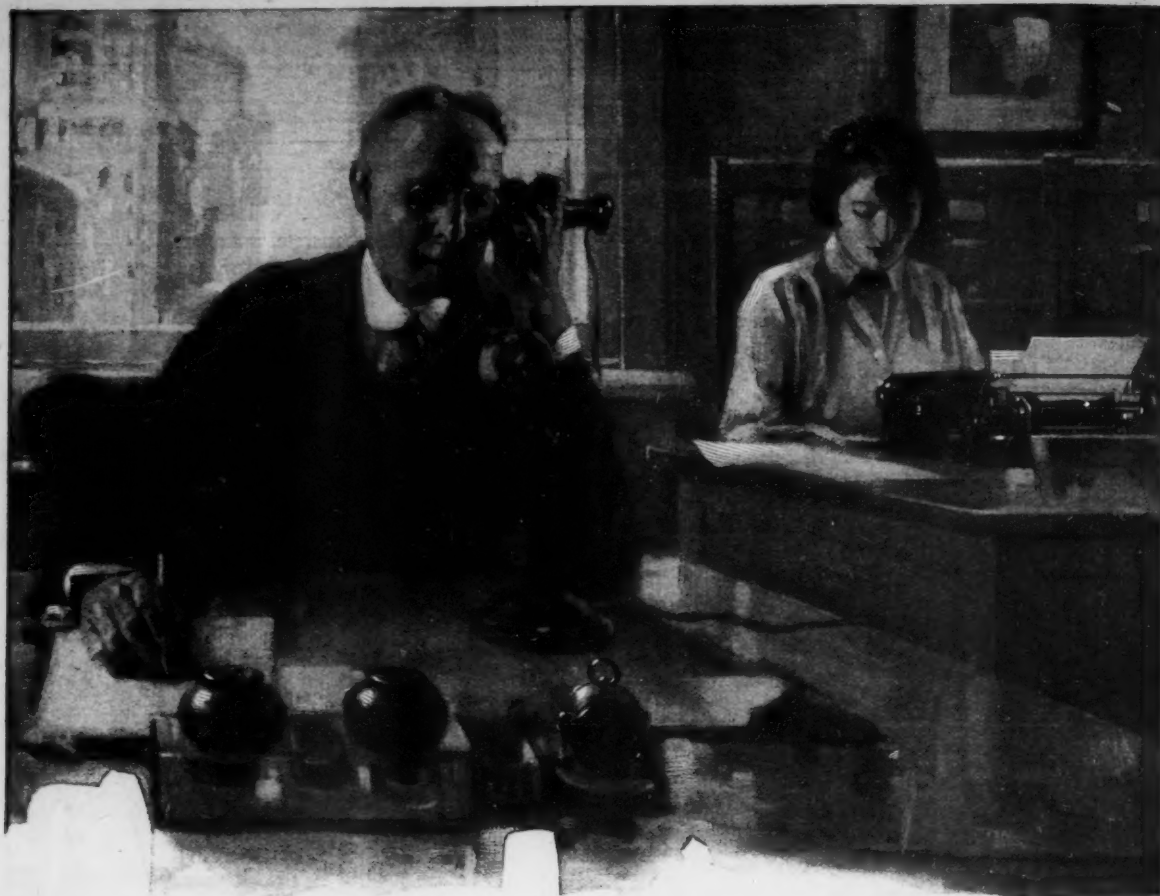


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